City of Boston.

January 3.d 1831.

This being the day appointed by law, for the organization of the City government, the following Gentlemen appeared in the Common Council room, in the City Hall, and took their seats - viz.:

Hon.ble Harrison Gray Otis, Mayor.

Aldermen.

Henry J. Oliver
Samuel T. Armstrong
Benjamin Rusell
John B. M.cCleary
Henry Farnam
Adam Bent
John Binney, and
Richard D. Harris.

The meeting was opened with prayer, by the Reverend George W. Blagden.

The Honorable Artemas Ward, Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, administered the several oaths required by law, to the Mayor. — Mayor sworn

The Mayor afterwards administered the like oaths to the Aldermen; and then to the members of the Common Council. After which he addressed the City Council. — City Council members sworn

The two branches then separated.

A message in writing was received announcing, that the Common Council had elected Benjamin T. Pickman Esquire, for its President, and Thomas Clark, Esquire, Clerk. — Common Council Pres. & Clerk.

Ordered, that a message in writing be sent to the Common Council, proposing a Convention forthwith — Convention proposed.

2. in the Common Council room, for the purpose of electing a City Clerk.

A message in writing was received from the Common Council signifying their concurrence with the board of Aldermen, to form a Convention of the City Council, at the time & for the purpose above mentioned.

In Convention.

City Clerk chosen

Agreeably to apignment, the two branches of the City Council met in Convention, in the Common Council room, for the purpose of electing a City Clerk. Aldermen Oliver and Binney, Mess.r Waters, Abbot and Tremere were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes, who reported, the whole number to be, fifty three . . . 53.
Necessary for a choice, twenty seven . . . . . 27.
Samuel T. McCleary, Esquire, had fifty two 52
and he was chosen. The oath of office was administered to him, by the Mayor.

The busines of the Convention being accomplished, the two branches separated.

Common Council member sworn

Wm. Aaron Willard, Junr. from Ward No.r 12, appeared, attended by Mr. Waters, and the several oaths required by law, were administered to him by the Mayor, to qualify him as a member of the Common Council. After which the Gentlemen retired.

Ordinances

Ordered, that there be delivered a copy of the City ordinances, to each member of the City Council who hath not already been furnished with one.

meetings.

Ordered, that the regular time of the meetings of this board, be on Mondays, at 4 o'Clock, P. M.

Ordered, that the City be divided into four districts as follows viz:— District Com.ees

1st Dis. Wards No.o 1, 2 & 3. Aldermen Oliver and McCleary.
2.d " " " 4, 8 & 9. " Farnam and Harris.
3d " " " 5, 6 & 7. " Armstrong and Binney.
4th " " " 10, 11 & 12. " Kupell and Bent.

for the purpose of attending to the several streets, lanes, alleys, and public places, within their respective districts.

On the petition of William H. Prentice, and others, respecting the admeasurement of Wood.— Prentice— Wood—

Ordered, that the Senators from the County of Suffolk, and the Representatives of the City, be respectfully requested to apply to the Legislature, at the next sepion, for an act to be paped, giving to the City government, authority to regulate the admeasurement of Wood, brought into the City, by water, for sale, like to the authority respecting the survey and admeasurement of lumber, heretofore conferred by the Legislature, by an act paped March 6. 1830.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'clock, P. M.

4.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the tenth day of January, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Rules Orders.

Order of the Common Council directing, that the joint rules and orders of the City Council be adopted until further order. Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Rail way

Order of the Common Council committing the resolutions adopted at a general meeting of the Inhabitants of the City, on the ninth day of August, last, respecting an application to the Legislature, for an act authorizing the City to subscribe for and take shares of stock in a Rail road, to be established in a direction calculated to facilitate an intercourse between Boston, and the Western States; - Provided the amount shall not exceed One million of dollars - to Messrs. Waters, James and Bigelow, with such as the board of Aldermen might join. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor and Alderman McCleary are joined.

Accounts - Com.e on

The board proceeded by ballot, to the election of a committee on accounts on its part, and the votes being taken, it appeared that Aldermen Armstrong and Harris were chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council elected on its part Messrs. Eveleth, Richardson and Hay. & Alderman Oliver was first elected and declined.

Standing committees.

The following standing committees were nominated and appointed viz:

Aldermen Rupell, Oliver and Harris, on Quarantine.

Aldermen Armstrong, Rupell & Binney on jail & h. of Correction.

The Mayor, Aldermen Farnam & Harris, on fire department & reservoirs.

Aldermen Armstrong, McCleary & Binney, on the Market.

The Mayor, Aldermen Oliver and Bent on Common, Malls, &c.

Aldermen Oliver, McCleary & Farnam on burial grounds & cemeteries.

Aldermen Rupell and McCleary on bells and clocks.

Aldermen Oliver, Farnam and Bent on public buildings.

This was afterwards made a joint committee. see page

Aldermen Armstrong and Harris on County accounts.

Eng. fire dep.t

Communication from the board of Engineers of the fire department, proposing sundry rules and regulations for the government of the fire department, in relation to the admission of members. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department to consider and report.

Common Council vacancy in.

A message was received from the Common Council, announcing that a vacancy exists in said Council, caused by the resignation of William T. Foster, Esquire, elected by the Inhabitants of Ward No. 6, and requesting that a warrant be issued to fill the vacancy. Read and thereupon ordered, that a warrant be issued for a meeting of said Inhabitants, on Saturday, next, at twelve o'clock M. And that the poll be kept open until three o'clock, P. M.

Fire dep.t Engine No. 10.

Memorial of the fire department in relation to the election of William T. Spear, as foreman of engine

6. Company No. 10, and praying that said election may be annulled, or not affirmed by this board, and that said Spear may not again be admitted into the fire department in any capacity. Also a

Chester Drayton White.

memorial of John L. Chester, and others, members of said engine Company, protesting against the election of said Spear. Also a memorial of William H. Drayton, and others, members of the fire department, in favour of the election of said Spear. Also a memorial of John L. White, and others, members of said engine Company, declaring, that they had elected said Spear their foreman in a legal and proper manner. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department to consider and report.

Boston South Bridge

Petition of the Proprietors of the Boston South bridge, praying, that a committee may be appointed in behalf of the City, with whom a committee of said proprietors may have a conference, and to whom they may make a definite proposition for the surrender of said bridge to the City. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Rufell and Bent, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Messrs. Stevens, Parker, Hastings and Crane.

Grain

Ordered, that Aldermen Rufell and Binney with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee to consider and report upon the expediency of applying to the Legislature for powers to regulate the sale and admeasurement of grain brought into the City by water, for sale. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs. Ellis, Wright and Milton.

Petition of William Barry, praying, That he may have such remuneration granted him as may be deemed just and equitable, in consequence of his being obliged to remove from the Old State House (now City Hall). Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, & the Common Council joined on its part Messrs. Prescott, Abbot & Gill. J. Barry.

Petition of William Foster, and Charles Foster, claiming, in conjunction with Leonard Foster, a narrow strip of flats, near the City wharf, east of the Market; and praying, that there may be a speedy decision in the premises, in order that each proprietor may obtain possession of his respective property to hold the same in severalty. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong, and Harris, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred; & the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs. Eveleth, Robbins and Newell. Foster.

Petition of Ezra Trull, and others, proprietors and occupants of estates situated on Friend, Causeway, Canal, Portland, Traverse and Merrimac streets, praying, that said streets may be raised, or so repaired as to prevent damage to their estates, by the influx of the tide waters. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver, McCleary, Farnam and Harris, to consider and report. Trull

Friend, Causeway, Canal, Portland, Traverse & Merrimac streets.

8.

Hancock-
Beacon St.

Petition of John Hancock, and others, owners of land formerly belonging to the estate of Govern Hancock, taken in 1815, to widen Beacon street. Read, and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Osborn-
Whitney, Prince;
Simmons, Hayden
Prouty

The several petitions of C. M. Osborn, Barnabas Whitney, Agnes Prince, David A. Simmons, Ezra Lincoln, William Hayden, Junior, and Mary C. Prouty, claiming damages, in consequence of the reduction of the level of Myrtle street. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Boston Mill Corp.

Ordered, that Aldermen Oliver, Rufell, & McCleary, be a committee to consider and report, in relation to the obligations of the proprietors of the Boston Mill corporation, with the City and whether any obligation remains to be fulfilled on the part of said Corporation.

New Eng. Society.

Petition of a committee of the Directors of the New England Society, for the use of the halls over Faneuil Hall market, for one month, commencing February 25th to hold a public of domestic products early in the approaching month of March. Read and committed to the committee on public buildings, to consider and report.

Sears.

Petition, that David Sears's demand against the City in pursuance of an agreement made with the City, on the first day of December, 1828, in relation to taking gravel from his land, near Somerset street, be committed to the Mayor, to consider and report.

The commissioner for the sale of public lands, reports, that he has been offered twenty cents per foot for five hundred feet of land in the Bull pasture. Read & committed to Aldermen Kupfel and Bent, to consider & report. Land Com.r Bull pasture & Merrimac St.

Also, that he has been offered, one dollar per foot for two thousand and fifteen square feet of land on Merrimac street. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report.

Members admitted to the company of firemen for Ward No.2 11. as on file. Firemen Ward 11.

Members admitted to the several companies of Engines No.s 4, 5, 7, 11, 13 & 14, as on file. Engines.

Petition of Wardens and Vestry of St. Paul's Church, praying, that Fremont street may be macadamized as far as West street. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report. St. Paul Chh. Fremont St.

John K. Bradford returns, that he has measured the last year, six hundred Seventy six loads of Wood. Wood measured.

Petition of Noah Burnham claiming damages of the City, he having been lamed by falling into a hole in Hillman street, near Pond street. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report. Burnham

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock. P. M.

10. At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the seventeenth day of January, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.—

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Free bridge
Wright

The committee of the Southern district reported, that they had been informed by the Superintendent of the Free bridge, that a trespass had been committed on the abutment or pier fender of said bridge; by William Wright, Esquire; by landing joist and other timber thereon, and that the Superintendent had notified said Wright to remove the timber &c. agreeably to the City ordinance of October 20. 1828, but that said Wright had refused so to do. Read and recommitted, and that the Mayor be added to said Committee.

Free bridge
Flats.

Ordered, That an application be made to the Legislature, for such additions and amendments to the act, entitled "An act establishing a free bridge in the City of Boston" as may be necessary to protect the same from trespasses and other injuries; and that the Mayor be requested to present a petition to that effect, and that the Senators of Suffolk, and Representatives of the City be requested to promote the same.

Sent down for concurrence.
Came up Concurred.

Surveyors of highways.

Order of the Common Council appointing the Mayor and Aldermen Surveyors of highways for the current year.

Came up for concurrence
Read & concurred.

11.

Fire dep't rules & regul'ns

The committee of the fire department to whom was referred the communication from the board of Engineers of the fire department, respectfully submit for adoption the following regulations in addition to those already in force, for the government of the fire department — viz.

1. That no person under the age of eighteen years shall hereafter be admitted a member of the fire department.

2. That no more than one fifth part of the whole number of persons hereafter admitted into any one company of firemen, hose men, hook and ladder men or engine men; at the same time shall be persons under the age of twenty one years.

3. That no person under the age of twenty one years shall be admitted into the fire department, at any time; unless he shall furnish to the foreman of the company, to which he may apply for admission, a written certificate of the consent of his parent, master or guardian; which certificate shall be transmitted to the Mayor and Aldermen at the same time the name of such person shall be offered to them for admission.

4. That the age of every person under twenty one years, whose name shall be offered to the Mayor and Aldermen for admission into any company, shall be stated in the list.

5. That no person under twenty one years of age shall be an officer of any engine or other company, belonging to the fire department, excepting the Clerks.

6. That it be recommended to the several engine and other companies of the fire department, to elect five sub assistants, being of age, whose duty it shall be, according to seniority of age, to act as foremen; at fires, in the absence of the foreman and assistant foremen.

7. That the names of all persons hereafter admitted into the fire department, shall be returned to the board of Aldermen; to the end that they may be appointed, and receive their certificates, within ten days after.

Read and accepted.

12. The committee to whom were referred the communi-

Engine N.º10. cation from the board of Engineers of the fire department, and other documents, respecting the proceedings of engine company number ten, in the choice of a foreman, on the third day of January, instant— Respectfully report— That the ordinances respecting the fire department provide among other things, that each engine company shall consist of as many members as the Mayor and Aldermen from time to time shall think expedient, each of whom upon his appointment by the Mayor and Aldermen shall receive a certificate &c. It is thus plain, that the power of appointing members of the fire companies rests exclusively with the Mayor and Aldermen— For the accommodation of these companies they have been allowed to select their own associates in the first instance, and upon a report of their names to the board, in ordinary cases, a vote confirming the choice of the company is passed, and thence forth, the persons thus named are considered as appointed members of the company, and entitled to certificates. It appears from a return of the clerk of company number ten, that of fifty four persons considered by the company as members, seventeen have never been appointed by the Mayor & Aldermen. Nor were their names reported to this board, except by the clerk in his said return dated the seventh instant, four days subsequent to the choice of foreman. It also appears by other documents, that Mr. William T. Spear was chosen by a plurality of five votes only, the whole number being forty three votes. The qualified and unqualified members voting indiscriminately. These facts lead inevitably to the conclusion, that the proceedings of the company number ten, in regard to the choice of foreman on the third instant as aforesaid are illegal and null, and that the return of the clerk as aforesaid is the first and only evidence presented to this board, of the nomination of the seventeen persons therein named, by said company, as members thereof, and they respectfully submit the following orders— Which are submitted. H. G. Otis, pr. order.

Ordered, that the votes and proceedings of engine company number ten, on the third day of January current, in so far

as they relate to the choice of a foreman are illegal and void.

Ordered, that it be recommended to the members of engine company number two, who have been duly appointed to nominate and report for the consideration of the Mayor and Aldermen those whom they shall choose to fill the existing vacancies with the lease posible delay.

Read & accepted & the orders based.

The committee on the notice of Samuel P. Grosvenor, of his intention of building on Robinson alley — made a report — which was read and accepted, and thereupon resolved, that the public safety and convenience require that said alley be widened, and the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following viz: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of said Grosvenor's land, thence running southerly by land of William Collier, three feet two inches; thence northwesterly through land of said Grosvenor twenty five feet, to land of the heirs of Joshua Ellis; thence northeasterly three feet two inches, to the present line of said alley; thence southeasterly by said present line twenty five feet to the place of beginning. Taking seventy nine, and one sixth square feet of land from said Grosvenor.

Grosvenor Robinson alley.

The committee on the petition of Noah Burnham, for damages, in consequence of his falling into a hole in Hillman street, near Pond street, by which he was lamed, & rendered unable to pursue his ordinary occupation for a length of time, reported, that they obtained the opinion of the City Solicitor, who is of opinion, that the City is not liable for the damage, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Burnham

Read and accepted.

14.

Joys Beltknap st.

Petition of Joseph G. Joy, in behalf of the owners of the Mansion House and land of the late Doctor John Joy, situate at the corner of Beacon and Beltknap streets, praying, that they may be indemnified for the damage which they have sustained in consequence of the alteration of the level of Beltknap street. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Hay weighers.

Ordered, that Samuel Phillips and John K. Bradford, be and hereby are appointed weighers of hay, straw and merchandize for the current year. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Grain admeasurement.

The committee to whom was referred the order of the City Council, upon the expediency of applying to the Legislature for powers to regulate the sale and admeasurement of grain &c. report, that it is not expedient to apply for any Legislative proceeding on the subject. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Police Court.

Order of the Common Council, directing, that so much of the Mayors address, as relates to the vacancy now existing in the Police Court, and the expediency of applying to the Legislature to remodel said Court be committed, to Messrs. Minns, Rayner, Wolcott, Prescott and Pierce; with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor, Aldermen Armstrong, Farnam and Harris are joined.

Order of the Common Council, direct- 15.
ing, that so much of the Mayor's address as relates to the Court houses and the land contiguous thereto, be committed to Messrs Court Houses & land.
Hatch, Lawrence and Amee, with such as the board of Alder men might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Farnam & Harris are joined.

Order of the Common Council, directing Small pox Hospital.
that so much of the Mayor's address as relates to the adoption of additional measures of protection against the small pox, and the establishment of a Hospital accessible by land be committed to Messrs Flint, Vinson and French with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Oliver and McCleary are joined.

Order of the Common Council, direct- County connexion with Chelsea.
ing, that so much of the Mayor's address as relates to dissolving the County connexion now existing between this City and the town of Chelsea, be committed to Messrs Bigelow, Richardson and Ellis, with such as the board of Aldermen might join to consider & report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred & Aldermen Russell and Bent are joined.

Order of the Common Council, direct- Clerk in Auditor's office.
ing, that so much of the Mayor's address as relates to the expediency of providing for temporary Clerk hire in the office of the auditor of accounts, be committed to Messrs Eveleth, Robinson and Clark, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider & report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Armstrong and Binney are joined.

Mill Creek land

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Everett, Waters and Leighton, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee, to complete and finish filling up the Mill Creek from Hanover to Cross streets, and that said committee be authorized and fully empowered to sell and dispose of the land so made, on such terms as shall appear to them fair and reasonable. came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and the Mayor, and Alderman Oliver are joined.

Seaver & Rand's contract.

Application of Ebenezer Seaver and Isaac Rand, in relation to their contract with the City, to take the house offal, which will expire on the twenty-eighth day of next month. Read and committed to the Mayor and Alderman McCleary, with full power to renew said contract, upon such terms, as they shall judge expedient.

Fires in 1830.

The Chief Engineer of the fire department made a return of fires which occurred the last year, being in number, fifty two - estimated loss of property $ 54, 720 - of which was insured $ 33, 295 $^{27}/_{100}$ - Twenty seven false alarms - No dwelling house destroyed; except one or two ten-foot buildings - Read and laid on the table.

Common Council member qualifies.

Stephen Fitcomb, member of Common Council from Ward No. 6, attended by Mr. Waters, and the several oaths required by law, were administered to him by the Mayor.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at the City Hall, on Monday, the twenty fourth day of January, Anno Domini, 1831. —

Present —

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Ch. Eng. fire department. Chosen.

Thomas L. Amory, Esquire was nominated and appointed Chief Engineer of the fire department, for the current year.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Engineers of fire department

The following gentlemen were nominated and appointed engineers of the fire department, the current year viz: — William Barnicoat, Benjamin Mealon, Thomas Haviland, John S. Tyler, Benjamin M. Nevers, Ebenezer C. Hawes, James Barry, Amia, Charles Brintnall, Otis Munroe, Nehemiah P. Mann, Amia, Joseph P. Bradlee, John Hammond, David Tillson, Henry Smith, David Kimball, George W. Smith, Richard A. Say, and William G. Hodgkinson. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Boston free bridge Sup.t chosen.

The board proceeded by ballot to the choice of Superintendent of the Boston free bridge; and the votes being taken, it appeared that William Warner was chosen.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Public buildings Com.ee on,

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Wales, Parker & Swallow, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to take charge & superintend the repairs of the public buildings of the City. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred, & Aldermen Oliver and Russell are joined. —

18.

Char. ofs fire departm.

Petition of the Charitable asociation of the fire department, praying, that the City government would make a yearly appropriation to aid the funds of said asociation. Read and committed in Common Council to Messrs Prescott, Haskell and Harris, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen McCleary and Binney are joined.

Watch

Ordered, That the committee on public buildings be instructed to consider and report upon the expediency of establishing a special watch for the new Market house; Faneuil Hall; City Hall and the Court houses in Court square and Court street, and the probable expense of the same. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Anti Masons.

Petition of George Odiorne, Wm. Marston, and Abner Phelps, a committee of the Anti-masons, for the use of Faneuil Hall on the Thursday preceding the last Wednesday of May, next, and the two succeeding days, for the Anti-masonic convention of the State to assemble therein and hold their meetings. Read and committed to the committee on public buildings with full power to grant the prayer of said petition, if they shall deem it expedient. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Smyth

Animals &c.

Application of Robert M. N. Smyth, for a renewal of his license to exhibit, at a building on Flagg alley, living animals, paintings, feats of strength and agility, and other "civil amusements". Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report.

Petition of William Shimmin, Abbott Lawrence, and John A. Lowell a committee of the Directors of the New England Society, for the use of the Hall, over Faneuil Hall Market, to hold a public sale of domestic products early in the approaching month of March, therefore they request the use of the same for one month commencing February 25. Read & committed to the committee on public buildings with full power to grant the same, if they shall deem it expedient. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. New Eng. So.

Petition of Coolidge and Haskell, for the use of the eastern wing of the Hall over Faneuil Hall Market, for the purpose of storing and arranging wool, for a public sale thereof. Read and committed to the committee on public buildings, with full power to grant the same, upon such terms and conditions as they shall judge expedient. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Coolidge & Haskell.

Petition of Winslow Lewis, & others, praying, that application may be made by the City Council to the Legislature for the removal of the State Arsenal from its present location. Read and committed to the Mayor and Aldermen Harris, with such as the Common Council may join, with full power to treat with the State for the removal of the same, agreeably to the prayer of said petition upon such terms and conditions as they may deem expedient. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Everett, Stevens and Gould. Lewis Arsenal.

Petition of Abel Babcock, & Thomas Livermore occupants of cellars No. 2 & 3 under Faneuil Hall Market, for a reduction of rent. Read and committed to the committee on the Market, to consider and report. Babcock Market Cellars.

Land Com^r Seymour Bull basline.

The committee on the report of the Land Commissioner, that he has been offered twenty cents per foot, for five hundred feet of land, being part of the Bull basline, on the easterly side of Washington street, by Thomas H. Seymour, to whom a lot of said land was heretofore sold. The above addition will make his lot thirty feet front on said street, running back one hundred feet. Report, that said offer be accepted. Read & accepted, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute a deed of the same accordingly.

Higginson Sumner St.

Ordered, that the petition of James P. Higginson and others, heirs of Stephen Higginson, deceased; praying that they may be remunerated for the damage done to their estate in consequence of reducing the level of Sumner street, be taken from the files and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Armstrong and Farnam with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Hastings, Hay, Ellis and Bliss.

Kenney Lion.

Application of Jonathan Kenney, for permission to take down the sign of the Lion, paint & replace the same in its present location. Read and committed to Aldermen Rufell and Bent, to consider and report.

Adjourned to Monday, next, 4 o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on monday, the thirty first day of January, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen except Alderman Russell.

Petition of George Mallet, stating, y.t a Guardian was appointed to James Allen of Boston, Gentleman, on a complaint made by the Mayor and Aldermen, on the fourteenth day of May, A.D. 1827, which Guardian has lately resigned. And that the said Allen does still continue in the habit of excessive drinking and idleness - and that the same cause does still exist to have said Allen placed under Guardianship as formerly existed. Whereupon after the examination of divers credible witnesses under oath, the board are of opinion, that the allegations set forth in said petition are true, and that a complaint to the Judge of Probate be made out and signed by the Mayor and Aldermen, in order that a Guardian may be appointed for said Allen according to law. =Mallet= =Allen= Spendthrift

The committee on the application of Robert M. N. Smyth, for a renewal of his license to exhibit at a building on Flagg alley, living animals, paintings, feats of strength and agility &c. Reported, that the license be renewed for one month, upon the same terms and conditions, that it was originally granted. Smyth

Read and accepted.

John R. Bradford, James Wilson, Moses Wood Madley, William Fisk and William Shattuck, nominated and appointed measurers of Wood, and bark, the current year. measurers.

22.

Engine No. 10.

Communication from the Chief Engineer of the fire department, respecting the state of engine company No. 10, & recommending that said engine be hauled up in ordinary — Read and with the proceedings of said company as communicated; committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

Engineer declines

Joseph P. Bradlee's communication declining the acceptance of the office of engineer of the fire department. Read and sent down.

Kenny-tion Tavern

The committee on the application of Jonathan Kenny, for liberty to take down the sign of the Lion, paint and reinstate the same in its present location on Washington street — Reported, that the prayer thereof be granted.

Read and accepted.

Auctioneers-

Prentiss Whitney and James Wise licensed as Auctioneers, on Cornhill:

Market Cellars.

Ordered, that the committee on the Market be instructed and have full power to make such allowance as they may deem just and equitable to the tenants of the Market House Cellars, in consequence of damage to their goods, occasioned by the tide water leading into the cellars. —

Hovey Legerdemain.

Application of Henry Hovey, to be licensed to exhibit at Concert Hall, the art of legerdemain, swallowing a sword &c. for one week. Read and the prayer thereof granted, on paying therefor five dollars.

Special Watch.

The joint committee on public buildings to whom was referred an order "to consider and report upon the expediency of establishing a special nightly watch for the new Market house, Faneuil Hall, City Hall, and the Court houses in Court square and Court Street, and the probable expense of the same" — have considered the same and ask leave respectfully to report, that it would be for the safety of said buildings, that a nightly street watch be established, that said watch be directed to consider its station & starting point at that end of City Hall, fronting on Washington street — its perambulations to be every half hour to and around each of the aforenamed buildings, and the committee further report, that the cost of said watch for the period of one year will not exceed the sum of four hundred & thirty eight dollars, and for the carrying into effect the provisions of this report, your committee report a resolve hereto subjoined — All which is respectfully submitted, in behalf of the Com[te]

M. J. Oliver, Chairman.

Resolved, that the public safety requires the establishment of an addition to the present arrangement of City Watch, so far as to provide for the special care and oversight of the New Market house, Faneuil Hall, City Hall, and the Court houses in Court Street & Court square; provided, that the expense of the same shall not exceed the sum of four hundred, thirty-eight dollars for one year; & that the mayor be requested to carry this order into effect. Read & accepted, & the resolve passed:

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Ceyer

James Wilson nominated & appointed City Cryer.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the seventh day of February, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Lumber.

The Surveyor General of lumber, made a return of the lumber surveyed the last year.

Surveyor General of Lumber.

The board proceeded by ballot to the choice of Surveyor General of lumber, for the current year; and the votes being taken, it appeared that George W. Otis was chosen.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

City Wharfinger.

The board proceeded by ballot to the choice of City Wharfinger for the current year; and the votes being taken, it appeared that David Parker was chosen

Sent down for concurrence:

Came up concurred.

Supt. of Streets.

The board proceeded by ballot to the choice of Superintendent of streets, for the current year; and the votes being taken, it appeared that Enoch Patterson was chosen.

Sent down for concurrence?

Came up concurred.

Allen.
Spring Street.

Petition of Ann Allen, by her guardian Lewis Howe, claiming damage for taking her land to widen Spring street: Read & committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Petition of Abel Babcock, Fothers, occupants of stalls in the Market house, praying that Caleb Hayward Clerk of the Market may be removed from office. Read and committed to the committee on the Market, to consider & report. Babcock — Clerk of Market.

The commissioner for the sale of public lands, communication stating that one dollar and fifty cents per foot has been offered for a lot of land on Clinton street, containing about ten thousand square feet. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Binney, to consider and report. Land Com: — Clinton St.

The commissioner for the sale of public lands, communication stating that cents per foot has been offered for the lot of land on Lancaster street, containing nine hundred and sixty square feet. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Binney, to consider and report. Land Com: — Lancaster St.

The commissioner for the sale of public lands communication respecting the lot of land on Merrimac street, lately agreed to be sold by the City; and stating the reasons which induced the purchaser to refuse to take a deed thereof, at the sum heretofore proposed. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report. Land Com: — Merrimac St.

Petition of Josiah Dunhams and others praying that the City would accept the Boston South bridge; and make it free. Read and committed to the Committee who have under consideration the petition of the Proprietors of said bridge; to consider and report. Dunham. — Boston South bridge.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

26.

Mayor to execute deed Inches &c.

Resolved, that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to execute in behalf of the City, and with Henderson Inches, Esquire, and his minor children, viz.: Caroline Charlotte, Martin B. and Hermon B. Inches (owning in common with George W. Brimmer and others, the "W" wharf) an Indenture similar and conformable to a certain other Indenture dated the thirtieth day of December, 1830, and executed by and between the City of Boston, the Mercantile Wharf Corporation and George W. Brimmer, and others. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Saxon

Petition of Oren Saxon, Sexton of the Revd. Mr. Motte's Church, praying that the bell of that Church may be rung instead of the Hollis Church bell, during the sickness of the Sexton of the latter Church. Read and committed to the committee on bells and clocks, to consider and report.

Engine No. 7

Memorial of Engine company No. 7, requesting four of their members signing a petition, that William E. Shear may be admitted a member of the fire department. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

Engine No. 10.

The committee of the fire department, report as their opinion, that the appointment of Thomas Boyd, as second foreman, of Ezra Trull, Junior, as Clerk, of William H. Brown, as Treasurer, and the admission of Jacob Taylor, E. W. Perry, Cyrus Bruce, Thomas Trull, Matthew M. Peppel, Oliver Terry, S. R. Hart, and Seth Bennett, as members of engine company No. 10, be approved. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock, P. M.

AT a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the fourteenth day of February, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor. Aldermen Oliver, McCleary, Parnam, Bent and Harris.

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Ellis, Harris and Wright, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to take into consideration so much of the Mayor's address as relates to the opening of a marginal sheet from Summer to Broad sheets, and report thereon. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Oliver, Parnam and Bent are joined. Marginal sheet.

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Stevens, Lawrence and Parker, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to consider and report upon the expediency of leasing the City wharf, east of Faneuil Hall Market. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Armstrong, McCleary and Binney are joined. City Wharf.

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Everett, Wright, Wetmore, Hastings and Newell, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to consider and report, what salaries it is expedient to allow the City and County officers, the ensuing year. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Armstrong, Rupell, Binney and Harris. Salaries of City & County officers.

Petition of Charles Robbins, for an increase of his wages as an Overseer of the House of Correction. Read & committed to the committee on the Gaol & House of Correction, to consider & report. Robbins

28.

Wood, Coal & bark

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Stevens, Leighton and Ellis, with such as the Board of Aldermen might join, a committee to take into consideration an act of the Legislature, entitled "An act to provide for the survey and admeasurement of Wood, Coal and bark, for fuel, brought by water into the City of Boston, for sale" to report by ordinance or otherwise. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen McCleary and Binney are joined.

Shepherd Grove St.

Petition of George Shepherd, claiming damage for injury to his estate on Grove street, in consequence of said street being reduced. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Land, Comr. Temple St.

The Commissioner for the sale of public lands, states that he has been offered one dollar a foot for forty three Hundred and twenty square feet of land on Temple street. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Deer & Georges Islands

Ordered, That the Mayor be authorized and requested to employ one or more competent persons to examine Deer and Georges Islands, in order to ascertain the extent of the damage to them, by the recent storm.

Wooden buildings

Ordered, That the Mayor's message concerning the subject of regulating the erection of wooden buildings be postponed to the last Wednesday of May next.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday the twenty first day of February, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Engine No. 10 Spear.

The committee to whom was referred the vote of engine company number ten, electing William T. Spear to be their foreman, and the remonstrance signed by the foreman of all the other engines and fire companies and approved by the board of Engineers against said Spear's appointment, and various other documents appertaining to that subject now on the files of this board, have attended to that service, and respectfully state, That it appears manifest on the face of the said remonstrance & proceedings of the board of Engineers, and of the foremen of the several engines, that a sentiment is universally prevalent among them, adverse to the appointment of Mr. Spear, and expressive of a deep persuation that his admission into the fire department, especially in the capacity of an officer, would be dangerous to the harmony and spirit of subordination now subsisting in the department, and the preservation of which is essential to its utility and success. The committee did not believe it to be incumbent on them to enquire into the reasonableness of this very general sentiment of opposition, further than to ascertain whether it might be softened or removed, by explanation or otherwise. But upon Mr. Spear's request, they gave a patient hearing to him and such witnesses as he thought fit to produce; and took pains to ascertain from the examination of those members of the fire department who were produced by Mr. Spear as witnesses, the state of their minds in reference to his appointment, and to the sentiments described in said remonstrance; and to afford to any who might be so disposed, an opportunity to withdraw their

30. names. But none saw fit to avail themselves of this offer, under these circumstances the committee recommend the passing of the following resolve.

Resolved, That the Mayor and Aldermen do not approve and consent to the appointment of William T. Spear to be a member of Engine number Ten, nor as a member of the fire Department.

Read and accepted.

Police Court

The committee to whom was referred so much of the address of the Mayor, as relates to the vacancy now existing in the Police Court, and the expediency of applying to the Legislature to remodel said Court, respectfully report, that it is in the opinion of the committee expedient that further time should be allowed to ascertain by actual experiment whether the business of said Court may be conducted with advantage to the interest of the City, by two judges only, before the vacancy now existing be filled, and before application be made to the Legislature to remodel the law, and accordingly report the following order, which is submitted.

H. G. Otis, Chairman.

Ordered, that the Mayor be requested to present to His Excellency the Governor, a respectful request, in behalf of the City Council, that he would be pleased to suspend the nomination and appointment of a Judge to fill the vacancy now existing in the Police Court, if in his judgment his sense of duty, and of the public interest will justify such suspension.

Read & accepted, & the order passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Funeral undertaker.

Joseph Willcut, Junior, Sexton of Christ Church, nominated and appointed a funeral Undertaker.

Petition of Josiah Dunham, and others, to have the ordinance altered, in relation to the appointment of Surveyor General of Lumber, and his deputies. Read and thereupon ordered, that the same be indefinitely postponed. Dunham Sur. Gen. Lum.

On the petition of Isaac Adams, & others, tenants of the cellars in Faneuil Hall Market, for an allowance in consequence of damage to their goods occasioned by the salt water getting into the cellars — Ordered, That the committee on the Market, be and hereby are authorized to allow each and every of said Petitioners, a sum of money not to exceed one half of a quarter's rent, in full of all damages to this time. Adams. Cellars Faneuil Hall market.

Petition of Catharine Leitner, claiming to be remunerated for damage to her estate in consequence of reducing the level of Grove and May streets. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report. Leitner Grove & May St.

The committee to whom the subject of making sale of a lot of land on Merrimac street, now covered with brick buildings, which they had before passed upon, have since attended to the new propositions, and report, that said proposed purchaser leased by auction of the City in August 1823, lot B — containing 3650 feet, at seventy six cents per foot and lot C — containing 3232 feet, at fifty cents per foot averaging on both about sixty four cents per foot, and amounting to $4300 — said lease extended to twenty four years, and the interest on said amount, say $264, was the annual rent agreed upon for said lots. Since that the City has sold from lot B — 1635 feet, at one dollar per foot, and relinquished on said lease, one hundred dollars per annum, which is some what more than the interest, Land Com.ee Merrimac St.

at one dollar per foot, for the residue of the lease, the effect of which is to reduce the remaining lots to fifty two cents per foot. The condition now proposed is to purchase the remainder of lot B. containing 2015 feet at one dollar per foot, and have the amount of the interest on said purchase say $ 120. relinquished from the annual rent on the lease; which if done will reduce said rent to forty four dollars per annum for lot C. and will be the interest of twenty two cents per foot on said lot. This method of sale by a former board of relinquishing on the lease the amount of interest on the sale, it is presumed was not calculated as the effect of it for the remainder of the lease is to reduce the residue in the same proposition below the seventy six cents per foot, as the price given appeared to be higher. The committee therefore recommend that said conditions be rejected. Which is respectfully submitted.

Henry Farnam

The foregoing report read and accepted.

Land Com^r Lancaster St

The committee's report in favour of the acceptance of the offer made to the Commissioner for the sale of a lot of land on Lancaster street containing nine hundred and sixty feet, for which he had been offered cents per foot. Read and accepted, and that the Mayor execute a deed of the same accordingly.

Deer & Lovells Islands.

The Mayor communicated & read copies of letters to the Hon^ble Daniel Webster, Senator of U. S. in relation to damage to the works on Deer and Lovells Islands by the recent storms, requesting that additional appropriation be made, in order to repair & secure the works. Thereupon resolved that the board do approve of the Mayor's proceeding in the premises.

Com. Council member qualified.

Daniel Ballard, a member of the Common Council from Ward N^o 2. appeared attended by W^m Millon, & the usual oath required by law were administered to him by the Mayor.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the
twenty eighth day of February, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alder-
man Kupsell.

Order of the Common Council com- Packard
mitting the petition of Martin Packard and others, praying that the South bridge.
City would accept the Boston South bridge to the committee who
have under consideration the memorial of the Proprietors of S. Bridge
to consider and report. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

Order of the Common Council commit- Warner
ting the petition of William Warner, Superintendent of the Boston free Sup. fee bridge.
bridge; for an increase of his salary to the committee who have
under consideration the subject of salaries for City and County of-
ficers, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

Application of Robert M. N. Smyth, for Smyth
a renewal of his license to exhibit at the Amphitheatre Flagg alley. Amphitheatre.
Read and the prayer thereof granted upon the same terms & conditions
as heretofore required, for one month from the 27th instant.

Petition of John Stevens, and others, proprie- Stevens.
etors of flats lying west of Washington street and north of the City's
flats on the neck, praying that a vote may be passed authorizing
a release of the old streets to said Proprietors whenever they shall
adopt a new plan of streets, which shall be more for their own
benefit & equally promotive of the interests of the City. Read & committed
to the Mayor, Aldermen Kupsell and Bent, to consider & report.

Land Com.r Commercial St.

The commissioner for the sale of public lands reports, that he has been offered, three dollars and seventy five cents a foot, for a triangular piece of land, containing about one thousand feet twenty five per cent. of the amount to be paid on delivery of the deed, the residue in three equal payments, in six, twelve & eighteen months, with interest, secured by mortgage on the premises, the purchaser to have the right to pay the whole at any previous day, at his election. Read and accepted, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute a deed of the same accordingly. Said land is bounded on Commercial Street.

Clinton Street land.

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to execute a deed of the piece of land on Clinton street, conformably to the plan Reported, on the 11th instant, on the following conditions viz.: one dollar and fifty cents per foot — ten per cent. to be paid on delivery of the deed, and the residue in one year from the first day of April next, without interest, the purchaser to have a right to enter his drain, without charge.

Watch & Lamps.

Flavel Case nominated and appointed Captain of the Watch and Superintendent of lamps.

Persons taxed $25 Upwards.

The assessors' list of persons, co partnerships, & corporations who were taxed twenty five dollars and upwards, in the City, in the year 1830, specifying the amount of the tax on personal & real estate severally, conformably to an order of the City Council. Read & ordered, that the usual number of copies be printed for the use of the City Council, the assessors, assistant assessors &c.

Ch. Eng. fire dep.t

Memorial of the Chief Engineer of the fire department, suggesting the propriety of having the ordinance upon that subject revised. Read & committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider & report.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the seventh day of March, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor — Aldermen Oliver, Armstrong, McCleary, Farnam, Bent, and Harris.

Stevens. On the petition of John Stevens, & others, proprietors of land and flats west of Washington street, that some alteration be made in the location of the several streets through their land, — Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Russell and Bent, be a committee, with full power to agree to the alteration and to receive from said proprietors so much land as they shall designate and agree upon as streets.

Land Com. Merrimac Street. The committee to whom was referred the communication of the Commissioner for the sale of public land recommend, that lot C on Merrimac street be sold, and the remainder of lot B, to Ebenezer Smith, the present lessee of said lots, containing five thousand two hundred and forty seven feet, at sixty cents per foot, and on a credit of one and a half yrs with interest, on condition that the sharp corners of said lot B which is now thrown into the street, shall be relinquished by said Smith to the City. Read and accepted, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute a deed of the same accordingly.

Culbert's mortgage. The Treasurer & Auditor of accounts having certified that a note payable to the City of Boston, for nine hundred dollars, signed by Robert Culbert, the payment of which was secured by mortgage recorded with Suffolk deeds, Lib. 292, fol. 190, has been fully paid both principal and interest — thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be requested to discharge the same on record.

36.

Welles Front st. Petition of John Welles, praying, that the City would repair the easterly wall of Front street, if they are bound so to do; or if the abuttors are bound to repair it, they request to be informed thereof. Read and committed to Aldermen Rufsell and Bent, to consider and report.

Cole Washington st. Petition of Thomas Cole, for compensation for land and cutting off his building to widen Washington street. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Loring Franklin school. Petition of Caleb Loring, Junior, for the use of Ward room under the Franklin School, for the purpose of holding meetings for public worship. Read and committed to Aldermen Rufsell and Bent, to consider and report.

Sanderson Market Stalls. Petition of Jacob Sanderson, and others, occupants of stalls in Faneuil Hall market, for a reduction of rents. Read and committed to the committee on the Market, to consider and report.

Foster The committee of the City Council to whom was referred the petition of William and Charles Foster reported a statement of facts, as on file, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

By order of the committee Samuel F. Armstrong.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Foster vs. City. Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to employ Counsel to defend the action brought against the City by Wm H Charles & Foster to recover possession of a piece of land east of Faneuil Hall Market.

Char. Ap.ⁿ of fire dep.ᵗ

The joint committee of the City Council to whom was referred the petition of Thomas C. Amory and others a committee of the Charitable Association of the Boston fire department, praying for a yearly pecuniary appropriation, respectfully report, That at the last winter session of the State Legislature an act was passed whereby the members of the Militia are entitled to receive the sum of one dollar and fifty cents each, yearly, the effect of which in the opinion of the petitioners is highly injurious to the fire department, and will have a tendency to diminish its numbers and weaken its effective force. That a large number of members belonging to the fire department have associated together and obtained an act of incorporation under the above mentioned title, for the purpose of affording relief to such of their members as may at any time receive injury in the discharge of their duties as members of the fire department, or to their families in the event of their decease. That by the aid of some of the Insurance companies, & a few benevolent individuals, & a small assessment on the members of the association, the sum of twenty six hundred dollars has been raised about one half of which has been appropriated as a permanent fund, the interest only to be expended for the relief of its members. That with these limited resources they have been able heretofore to provide for the most pressing claims of their unfortunate associates, thereby relieving the City government from repeated petitions for pecuniary assistance to such as have been injured in the fire department. Since the organization of said association. The importance of the fire department being well understood & acknowledged it is unnecessary to dilate upon it on this occasion. To make it as efficient as practicable, & to neutralize the injurious tendency of the above mentioned act, it seems to be only necessary to assure its members of pecuniary aid in cases of accidents & injuries incidental to the proper discharge of their laborious & hazardous duties. Your committee therefore after mature consideration recommend the following order, which is respectfully submitted. By order & on behalf of the committee, John P. M.ᶜ Cleary.

Ordered, that the sum of five hundred dollars be & hereby is appropriated, payable on the first day of May next, to the Charitable Association of the Boston fire department to aid their funds. Read and accepted, and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Alder men of the City of Boston, held at the City Hall, on Monday, the fourteenth day of March, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Auditor of acc^{ts} annual report.

The auditor of accounts annual estimate of the amount of moneys necessary to be ~~made~~ raised for the expenditure of the ensuing financial year; which commences on the first day of May, 1831, and closes on the thirtieth day of April, 1832, and also an estimate of the ways and means which are to be relied on to meet that expenditure. Read and committed in Common Council to the committee of finance with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider & report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, & the Mayor, Aldermen Oliver, Tarnam, Bent, Binney and Harris are joined, by ballot.

Assessors.

The board proceeded by ballot, to the choice of three permanent assessors, for the year ensuing, and the votes being taken, it appeared that Henry Bass, Samuel Norwood, & Thomas Jackson were chosen, in concurrence with the Common Council.

Ass^{t} Assessors.

Order of the Common Council appointing two assistant assessors for each ward except ward No^{o} 4;

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Funeral under-taker.

Thomas Andrews, Sexton of the New North Religious Society, appointed a funeral undertaker; agreeably to the report of the committee upon his application.

Ordered, that the Mayor, and the committee on the burial grounds, be a committee to take into consideration, an act of the Legislature; entitled "An act more effectually to protect the Sepulchres of the dead; and to legalize the study of Anatomy in certain cases" to report the best mode of carrying the same into effect, and that the Mayor's communication upon the subject be referred to the same committee: Sepulchres of the dead.

Communication of Sheriff Sumner stating, that the time provided by law for the use of the County jail as a House of Correction has elapsed: Read and committed to the committee on the Jail and House of Correction, to consider and report. Sher. Sumner & House of Correction.

William Foster complains, that the Master of the quarantine boat makes Foster's wharf his landing place against the consent of the proprietors of said wharf. Wherefore he prays, that the City authorities would give orders to the Captain to desist from frequenting said wharf. Read and committed to the committee on quarantine to consider and report. Foster & Foster's wharf.

The committee on the petition of John Welles, in relation to repairing the eastern wall of Front street, reported, that the injury done to the wall and wood work has been occasioned by the use of said street by the Petitioner, and that the necessary repairs of the same ought to be made at his expense. Read and accepted. Welles & Front Street.

The Commissioner for the sale of public lands report respecting a lot of land on Thacher street. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider & report. Land Com. & Thacher St.

40.

Loring Franklin School

The committee on the application of Caleb Loring, Junior, for the use of the ward room in the Franklin School house as a place of public worship Reported, that the prayer of the petition be granted on condition, that there be no fixture erected, that the lease be held during the pleasure of this board, and that the rent be at the rate of twenty five dollars per annum. Read, and accepted, with an amendment, that the rent be fifty two dollars per annum.

Dodge non compos mentis

Requisition of the Judge of Probate, that this board would make inquisition as to the state of mind of Clarissa Dodge of Boston, Singlewoman, who has been represented as a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself. Read, and thereupon ordered, that the said Clarissa be notified to appear before this board on monday next, four o'Clock, P. M. and show cause, if any she have, why she should not be declared non compos mentis as afore said, in order that a Guardian be appointed to her according to law.

Small pox.

Certificate of the Consulting Physicians, certifying that they have examined the cases of Maria Cobb, Nancy Lunson & Ann Rookes, found them affected with Small pox, & that their removal is necessary to the safety of the Inhabitants of the City. The above named persons were removed to Rainsford Island with their consent.

Williams Lynn St.

Memorial of Thomas Williams, Esther, & others, respecting the lines of Lynn Street, and that proper measures may be adopted for the preventing any incroachment on said Street. Read & thereupon resolved, that the whole board will meet upon the premises, to morrow morning half past eight o'clock.

Adjourned to that time and place accordingly.

Agreeably to adjourned, a majority of the board viewed Lynn Street, but no order was taken respecting the same.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston, held at the City Hall, on Monday, the
twenty first day of March, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present—

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Order of the common Council appoint- Apistant Ass.
ing apistant assessors of Ward No. 4. came up for concurrence. Wd No. 4.
Read & concurred.

Order of the common Council commit- Gov.r letter
ting the letter of His Excellency the Governor in relation to the ap- Police Court.
pointment of a Justice of the Police Court — the committee who have
that subject under consideration. Came up for concurrence.
Read & concurred.

Application of John Harrington for a Harrington
license as a ventriloquist, for two nights at Concert Hall. Read & Ventriloquist.
granted upon payment therefor one dollar per night.

Petition of Henry Knapp, for a Knapp.
license to carry on the currying of leather, at the corner of Charles
street and Western Avenue. Read and committed to Aldermen
Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Petition of John Green, and others, to Green
have the pump in Washington street in front of No. 659, repaired
Read and committed to Aldermen Rupell and Bent, to consider
and report.

Petition of Cyrus Alger, and others, Alger
to have Broadway reduced and repaired. Read and committed Broadway.
to Aldermen Rupell and Bent, to consider & report.

42.

Taylor & Goss.

Petition of Daniel Taylor & Orra Goss, occupants of Cellar under the Post office, City Hall, for a reduction of rent. Read and committed to the committee on public buildings to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Redfern May & Grove streets.

Petition of William Redfern to be remunerated for the damage done to his estate at the corner of May and Grove streets, in addition to that which has already been allowed him. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Resident Phy.

Memorial of J. V. C. Smith, Resident Physician at Rainsford Island, respecting providing an additional building for the better accommodation of the small pox patients. Also that sundry repairs and improvements be made on the Island. Read and committed to the committee on quarantine; to consider and report.

Oliver

Petition of John Oliver, keeper of Rainsford Island. That some compensation may be made him for damage done to sundry bar mattresses, which he provided for sundry persons who were carried to the Island the last year. Read and committed to the committee on quarantine; to consider and report.

Hills and Tufts Union St.

Petition of George Hills, and others, to have Union street widened by taking for that purpose, a part of the land on which Tufts' Distil house formerly stood, which was burnt down. And the remonstrance of Ephraim Tufts & Ephraim Tufts Junior, against the same. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report.

The Mayor as chairman of the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Hancock, & others, praying for indemnity for land alledged to have been taken for widening Beacon street; by the City — has conferred with William Minot Esquire, Counsel for the petitioners, and is convinced from said conference, that such are the circumstances and claims of the petitioners as to afford no expectation that any agreement for the adjustment of said claim would result from any conference with the committee; but would produce only superfluous delay — And in this opinion Mr. Minot concurs with the Mayor — It is therefore respectfully recommended that the said committee be discharged from the further consideration of the said petition, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw the same. Hancock Beacon st.

M. G. Otis

Read and accepted.

Ordered, That warrants be issued for the meeting of the qualified voters in their respective wards, on monday, the fourth day of April next, at eleven o'clock A. M. for the purpose of giving in their ballots for Governor and Lieutenant Governor. Also for six Senators for the District of Suffolk. Also for a Register of deeds, for the County of Suffolk. And to fill all vacancies which may exist in the respective wards. The poll to be kept open until three o'clock, P. M. Warrants for Ward meetings

Ordered, That public notice be given, that those legal voters whose names are not inserted on the lists may have them inserted thereon, on application being made, at the Mayor and Aldermen's room any time previous to the day of election, on the first monday of April, next. — Voters — notice to

44.

Salaries

The committee appointed to consider and report what salaries it is expedient to allow the City & County officers the ensuing year, reported an order to establish the salaries of the several officers of the City of Boston, and the County of Suffolk, during the year commencing on the first day of April, 1831. Read and accepted, and the order passed with an amendment. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, with amendments — Read & concurred in the first proposed amendment, and in the second non-concurred.

Warner

The committee on the petition of William Warner, Superintendent of Boston free bridges, for an increase of his compensation. Reported, that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition. Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Foster

The committee on quarantine to whom was referred the memorial of William Foster, praying the board to give orders that the quarantine boat desist from frequenting Foster's wharf. Report, that it is expedient to direct, that until further orders, the boat shall not frequent such wharf and that immediate provision be made for the erection of a flight of landing stairs or ladder on the wharf belonging to the City, in the vicinity. The committee further report, that it is advisable, that the City Solicitor be directed to inquire into the rights of the City to the passage way called Sconce lane, and to take legal measures in the premises. Read and accepted & ordered accordingly.

Bullard & Willett
Brown

The Mayor to whom was referred the bills presented by Bullard and Willett against the City, & the report of a former committee thereon of the last board of Aldermen; respectfully states, that the facts stated in the report of said committee appear to be correct, and further to add - That at the time of the repairs on Front street in said report mentioned, the sluice way mentioned was in danger of falling in, & as no person could be found to repair the same in season to meet the emergency, it was unavoidably incumbent upon the City to meet the difficulty reserving its rights of recourse against all persons who might be legally liable to pay the expense - That the street Commissioner then advised Bullard & Willett to procure the work to be done by Loring Brown at the same time declaring that if the City were bound to pay for it (which he did not admit) it would be paid for accordingly - It is thus manifest that the materials were furnished, and the work done, with the sanction, and at the request of the Superintendent of the streets, and that had it not been done in this mode, it must from necessity have been done in some other mode, at the City's expense; in which event, it is not perceived that recourse could have been had against any persons for contribution. It is stated that certain common sewers are discharged through this sluice way, and that by law those individuals are liable to pay for these repairs, and an enquiry ought to be instituted into this matter - But such an investigation will require time, and it is not perceived that Bullard & Willett are bound to wait that result, nor that they could by law compel as contribution to be made; the City alone being competent to effect that measure - It is therefore submitted, that the ~~City~~ bills of Bullard & Willett ought to be paid, and that the Mayor be requested to cause the proper inquiries to be made, whether any individuals are bound to contribute towards the same

46. Repairs, and if so to cause them to be apposed according to law

H. G. Otis. Mayor.

Read and accepted

Dodge

non compos mentis.

It appearing to this board that notice has been given to Clarissa Dodge, agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting, she did not appear; and after the examination of divers credible witnesses, the board are of opinion and do adjudge the said Clarissa to be a person non compos mentis and incapable of taking care of herself, and they accordingly certified the same to the Judge of Probate in order that a Guardian may be appointed according to law.

Williams

Lynn Street.

Remonstrance of Thomas Williams and others, against Henry J. Oliver, Esquires building on Lynn street near Hanover street, they state that he has encroached on the street. Read and thereupon a motion was made, "that the north line on which Wm. Oliver has commenced his building in Lynn street be considered the true south line of that street, in that part of it where said building is situated." Which motion was decided in the negative.

Sheriff Sumner

Sheriff Sumner's communication to the Master of the House of Correction requiring him as deputy Keeper of the Jails in the County of Suffolk, to acknowledge that he holds the Keys thereof subject to the order of the Sheriff and deliverable to him on demand. Read & committed to the committee on the Jail & House of Correction, to consider and report.

Engine No. 10.

Proceedings of Engine company No. 10. at a monthly meeting on the seventh instant. Read & committed to the committee on the fire department to consider & report.

The Mayor reported the following viz^t Whereas by the 3^d section of an act, entitled "An act more effectually to protect the Sepulchres of the dead, and to legalize the study of anatomy in certain cases" it is among other things provided, that it shall be lawful for the Directors of the House of Industry, Overseers of the poor, and Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston; to surrender the dead bodies of such persons except town paupers as may be required to be buried; at the public expense to any regular Physician duly licensed according to the laws of this Commonwealth for the purposes and subject to the provisions in said act set forth; And it is necessary for the due execution of the intention of the Legislature, that the powers therein vested in the said Directors Overseers, and Mayor and Aldermen be exercised by those persons respectively who have the immediate care and superintendence of the poor, and of the House of Industry. It is therefore

Sepulchres of y^e dead and anatomy

Ordered, That the said Overseers and Directors of the House of Industry, be and they are hereby authorized and requested to confer together, and to make adopt and carry into effect all such rules and regulations for the due execution of said act, in reference to those who are respectively under their superintendence and care as they may deem to be discreet and proper And to report the same to the Mayor and Aldermen for their information with the several boards in carrying into effect the s^d act, according to the intention of its makers, so far as depends upon them. Read & accepted and the order passed.

Ordered, That the committee on the notice of Thomas Stevens of his intention of building a livery stable on Union street, near the Baptist Church be discharged; and that the same be committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary to consider & report.

Stevens

Union street.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the twenty-eighth day of March, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present—

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen.

Marrable non compos mentis

Requisition of the Judge of Probate of the County of Suffolk, that this board would make inquisition as to the state of mind of Robert Marrable of Boston, ship carpenter, who has been represented as a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of himself. Read, and thereupon ordered, that the said Robert be notified to appear before this board on monday next, four o'clock, P. M. and shew cause (if any he have) why he should not be declared non compos mentis as aforesaid, in order that a Guardian be appointed according to law.

Foster

Memorial of William Foster and Leonard Foster, proprietors of Foster's wharf, respecting the passage way between said wharf and Rowe's wharf and the City's slip or landing place. Read and committed to the committee on Quarantine, to consider and report.

City wharf on Faneuil Hall

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Stevens, Lawrence and Parker, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to ascertain and report to the City Council upon what terms and conditions the City wharf east of Faneuil Hall Market may be leased for a term of years not exceeding ten. Came up for concurrence. Read, and concurred, and the Mayor & Alderman Binney are joined.

Auctioneer

William G. Parker licensed as an Auctioneer, Commercial Street.

Petition of William Sullivan, and others, praying, that a side walk may be made in Beacon street, on the side of the Mall leading from Park to Charles streets. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report. — Sullivan Beacon St.

Petition of Ephraim Jones, and others, praying that Sudbury street be widened at its entrance from Court street. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report. — Jones Sudbury St.

Petition of John D. Williams, & others, praying, that a new engine with suction hose be provided to supply the place of No. 12. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report. — Williams Engine No. 12.

Petition of William Porter, praying leave to establish three dolphins with floats of solid timber between the same, to rise and fall with the tide, on the east side of the channel opposite Foster's wharf, for the accommodation of the steamer Connecticut. Read and committed to the Mayor, to consider and report. — Porter.

Petition of Moses Wheeler, and others, praying leave to widen the side walk in front of Fayette place, Fremont street. Read and committed to Aldermen Kupfell and Bont, to consider and report. — Wheeler Fremont St.

Ordered, that the committee on the Market be authorized, and they hereby have full power to complete the repairs on the City wharf, which were begun the last year. — City Wharf

50.

Cole
Washington St.

The committee on the petition of Thomas Cole, for compensation for land taken to widen Washington St. reported, that four dollars a foot be allowed the petitioner for so much of the land taken from him as aforesaid.

Read and accepted.

Phillips.

Ordered, that upon the payment of the sum of eight hundred dollars, the Mayor be authorized to discharge and cancel an Indenture made the twenty first day of May, in the year eighteen hundred and four, between the town of Boston on the one part, and William Phillips, of the other part, recorded in the Registry of deeds, for Suffolk, Lib. 208 fol. 280, and to make and execute any deed of release wch may be thought proper for releasing said Phillips, and his heirs and assigns from the covenants in said deed contained, & it is further ordered, that the proprietors of said Phillips' estate described in said Indenture have free liberty to enter such drains as may be made in the premises into the common sewers in Water street or Kilby street, as they may think fit, without any other charge or expense towards the said sewers than the aforesaid sum of eight hundred dollars. It being understood and provided that said proprietors after having entered their drains into said sewers, or either of them, ever to be liable to future assessments made for the benefit of the estates whose drains are connected with the same, (if any such should be) in the same manner and proportion as the proprietors of other estates will be liable by law, and not otherwise.

Parker
Purchase St

Petition of William Parker, and others, praying that the northerly section of Purchase street may be so graduated as to lessen the ascent from Broad street. Read & committed to Aldermen Farnam & Harris, to consider & report.

The commissioner for the sale of public lands, reported, that he had received a proposition for the purchase of a lot of land on Clinton street, containing about four thousand two hundred and twenty five square feet. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary, to consider and report. 51. Land Com. Clinton st.

The committee on quarantine, report, that they have visited the quarantine establishment at Rainsford Island, and also George and Deer Islands, belonging to the city; that they found the quarantine establishment to be in the best order; and to exhibit proofs of the attention and care of the Resident Physician and Island Keeper; that they received sufficient information to satisfy them that the convenience of the establishment, and the cause of humanity require the erection of a new building, to be used as a small pox hospital, and they recommend that the City Council petition the Legislature to erect the same; That they have granted permission to the Resident Physician to make the necessary repairs of the boats & buildings belonging to the Island; that he be authorized to expend a sum of money not exceeding thirty dollars for fruit and ornamental trees for the use of the Island, and also a sum not exceeding seventy five dollars to procure a Gondalo to be used in the transportation of articles. The same committee have also examined into the claim of John Oliver Island Keeper, for an allowance to be made to him seven matresses which were destroyed by their being used by direction of the Resident Physician, and report, that he be allowed six dollars for each matress so destroyed. In their visit to the Islands the committee were favoured with the company of Mr. Lewis, late of the board of Aldermen, who had been requested by the Mayor to make an estimate of the damage Rainsford, Deer & George Islands.

52. which the sea walls on Deer and George's Islands sustained during the winter, and herewith inclose the report made by him on the subject. For the committee. Benj: Rupell.

Read and accepted, with an amendment to grant fifty dollars for trees instead of thirty.

Stetson & Thayer North Market st.

Ordered, that the petition of Amasa Stetson and Rufus Thayer, praying that the stalls and stands for the sale of articles may be removed from before their stores in North Market street be taken from the files of the year 1829, & committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary, to consider & report.

Auctioneers.

William G. Parker, Commercial street, and Charles Torrey, City Hall, licensed as Auctioneers.

Whitney.

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to agree with Col.o Whitney to appoint arbitrators to ascertain the true line and bounds of the land belonging to him and the City.

Vaccination.

Ordered, that the committee on quarantine take into consideration the subject of vaccination, and if it be necessary to take any further order in relation to the same.

Smith Amphitheatre

Application of Robert M. N. Smith for a renewal of his license to exhibit at the Amphitheatre Flagg alley. Granted, for one month more, upon the same terms & conditions, as heretofore granted.

River Lynn st

Henry J. Oliver, Esq. presented his memorial respecting his building on Lynn street declaring that his building is set on the true line of said street. Which was read. a motion was then made to reconsider the vote paped at the last meeting of this board respecting the line of said street. Which motion was decided in the negative.

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to procure two book cases to be placed in the Mayor and Aldermen's room. 53. Book cases.

Resolved, that the whole board will meet in Union street, tomorrow morning half past eight o'Clock, for the purpose of considering the expediency of widening said street, by taking a part of Mess.rs Tufts' land for that purpose, whereon their Distil house formerly stood, nearly opposite the Baptist Church. Union street.

The board met at the time & place above mentioned, and viewed the premises. They afterwards adjourned to their room.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on monday the fourth day of April, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present:

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Measurer of wood & bark

Jacob Merrick nominated & appointed a measurer of wood and bark, at South Boston, pursuant to the report of the committee on the petition of William B. Dorr and others, praying that a measurer of wood and bark may be appointed at that place.

Barry

The committee to whom was referred the petition of William Barry, for damages for being disturbed in his possession of the store leased to him, by the City, and being compelled to remove before the expiration of his lease — made a report, which was read & accepted, and thereupon ordered, that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the same. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Harbuck Devonshire St.

Petition of Charles C. Harbuck, occupant of a building on Devonshire street, in which he is now erecting a steam engine for moving various kinds of machinery, praying that he may be permitted to construct an arched passage beneath the surface of said street, for the purpose of carrying bolts or shafts through said passage to a building on the opposite side of said street to be attached to machines. Committed to Ald. Farnam & Harris, to consider & report.

Petition of Ralph Huntington, & 55.
others, proprietors of estates fronting the mall or common on Huntington
Fort hill, and others in the immediate vicinity, praying, Washington
that the name be changed from Washington place to place.
Washington square. Read and committed to Aldermen
Farnam and Harris to consider and report.

The committee on the petition Knapp
of Henry Knapp, for a license to carry on the currying Currying Leather
of leather, at his shop at the corner of Charles and
Beacon streets reported. That the petitioner have leave to with-
draw his petition.
Read and accepted.

It appearing to this board, that Marrable
notice has been given to Robert Marrable, agreeably to the order non compos mentis.
passed at the last meeting, but he does not appear, and
after the examination of divers credible witnesses under oath,
the board, are of opinion, and do adjudge the said
Robert to be a person non compos mentis, and incapable
of taking care of himself, and they accordingly certified
the same to the Judge of Probate, in order that a guar-
dian may be appointed according to law.

James W. Gates, Collector & Treasurer Well street
of the pump in Well street, exhibited his account to Pump.
March 26. 1831, leaving a balance in his hands of eigh-
ty two dollars and sixty two cents. Read and accepted,
and Messrs. Hermon Daggett, and Solomon Munroe are
appointed on the committee to superintend said well
and pump.

56.

South Cong. Soc. Tombs

Petition of Jabez Ellis, and others, the standing committee of the South Congregational society, praying leave to build tombs under said Church. Read & committed to the committee on burial grounds & cemeteries, to consider and report.

Phillips Granary burial place.

Petition of Thomas W. Phillips, for himself and Sally Phillips, praying leave to remove two bodies from the Granary burying ground. Read and thereupon ordered, that the Superintendent of burial grounds cause said bodies to be removed as prayed for.

Whittemore Brattle street well.

Petition of Jervice Whittemore, praying leave to remove the covering of the well in Brattle street, near Brattle square, for the purpose of cleansing said well; and to lay a suction from the same to lead into his house. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam & Harris, to consider and report.

Richardson Tremont & West streets.

The committee on the notice of Alfred Richardson, of his intention of building on Tremont & West streets, reports, that three hundred and forty nine feet of land be taken to widen Tremont street; provided the expense to the City do not exceed two hundred dollars.

Read and accepted.

Land leave in Dedham & Suffolk streets.

The commissioner for the sale of public lands reports, that he has been offered twenty five cents a foot for two lots of lands on Dedham & Suffolk streets containing six thousand square feet each. Read and committed to Aldermen Rupell & Bent, to consider & report.

The committee to whom was referred the report of the commissioner for the sale of public lands, that he had been offered two dollars per foot, for the residue of the City land on Clinton street, being about four thousand two hundred and twenty five square feet; ten per cent. to be paid on delivery of the deed, and the residue in annual payments of ten per cent. secured by mortgage, the purchaser to have a right to pay the whole at any previous day, at his election — Resolved, that the same be acceded to: Read, and accepted, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute a deed of the same accordingly. Sand Com.ⁿ Clinton st

Silas P. Tarbell gives notice of his intention of building on McLean street. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider & report. Tarbell McLean st.

Communication of Ebenezer Smith, giving notice of his intention of building upon a lot of land on Friend and Merrimac streets. Also that by reason of the projection of the building into Friend street, belonging to the estate of the late John B. Jones, the travel through Deacon street has to turn a very short & inconvenient corner, in consequence of which a street has been projected from Friend to Merrimac streets, through the above mentioned lot of land, of said Smith. The petitioner prays, that Friend street may be widened by cutting off a part of said Jones's building, rather than cutting through said street. Read, and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report. Smith Friend and Merrimac st.

Loring Newcomb licensed as an Auctioneer.

Auctioneer, Exchange street.

Wheeler Fayette St.

The committee on the petition of Moses Wheeler, and others, to have the side walk widened in front of Fayette place; Tremont street Reported, that the prayer of said petition be so far granted, that the petitioners have leave to widen the side walk at their own expense, not exceeding three feet. Read and accepted.

Thayer Washington St.

Memorial of John Eliot Thayer, inquiring if the City intend widening Washington street, near Bromfield street, this summer; as the store owned by Wm Nancy D. Holker, needs reparation; and that it will either be repaired or rebuilt. Read and committed to Alderman Armstrong and Binney, to consider & Report.

City Sol. Faneuil Hall Market.

The City Solicitor gives notice that the Supreme Court, the last week, decided in favour of the validity of the ordinance of November 13. 1826 § 8. (regulating Faneuil Hall Market) under which Josiah Nightingale was prosecuted. Read and ordered that the same be recorded.

Curtis Tyler vs. Hammond.

Charles P. Curtis, Esquire's communication, stating, that the suit of John A. Tyler, and others ag.st Samuel Hammond, in which the City is interested as warrantor, has been decided by the Supreme Court. Read & committed to the Mayor, to consider and report.

Adjourned to 12 o'Clock tomorrow. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, on tuesday, the fifth day of April, Anno Domini, 1831. —

Present —

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Order of the Common Council, committing the petition of Henry Williams, and others, praying that a sufficient number of copies of James Hayward's report, on the subject of the rout of a rail road to Ogdensburg, & a map and profiles, be printed and distributed to the legal voters of the City — to the committee on accounts, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred. — Williams Rail road report.

The board proceeded to examine the returns of votes from the several wards given in yesterday for Register of deeds, for the County of Suffolk, and found the whole number to be ..... 3312.

Necessary for a choice ..... 1657.

Henry Alline, Esq. has ..... 3306 —

and he is chosen. No return was made from Chelsea. Votes — Reg.r of deeds.

The board proceeded to examine the returns of votes from the several wards given in yesterday, for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and six Senators & Counsellors, for the district of Suffolk, & found that the whole number of votes given in as aforesaid, in the several wards, were sorted, counted, recorded, & declaration thereof made, as by the Constitution & law are directed. The votes are particularly described & recorded in the record book kept for that purpose; & the several returns were made out & signed by the Mayor & Aldermen, & attested by the City Clerk; sealed up and directed to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, according to law. — Votes — Gov. — Lt. Gov. & Senators —

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock. P. M.

60.

IN a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the eleventh day of April, Anno Domini, 1831.—

Present:—

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen except Alderman Binney.

Salaries
Com^e of Conference.

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Ellis, Hatch and Minns a committee to confer with such committee as might be appointed by this board, on the subject matter of difference between the two boards, on the order to establish the salaries of the several officers of the City of Boston, and the County of Suffolk, the ensuing year. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor, Aldermen Russell and Tarnam are appointed on the part of this board.

Appropriations

An order relative to specific appropriations Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Tax

An order levying a tax, to defray the expenses of the City of Boston, and the County of Suffolk, during the next financial year. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Overseers of poor
Dir. H. Industry.

Communications from the Overseers of the Poor and the Directors of the House of Industry, proposing rules & regulations for the purpose of carrying into effect the act of the Legislature, entitled "An act more effectually to protect the Sepulchres of the dead &c." Read and committed to the Mayor, and the committee on the burial grounds & cemeteries to consider and report.

Petition of William Mackay, and others, praying, that McLean street be widened, by taking for that purpose a strip of land belonging to Silas P. Tarbell, where he is about building. Read and thereupon ordered, that the whole board will meet on the premises, on Wednesday, next, twelve o'clock at noon. — Mackay McLean st.

Communication of the Superintendent of burial grounds, respecting tombs under Churches, and also in relation to the burial ground at South Boston. Read & committed to the Mayor, and the committee on burial grounds and cemeteries, to consider and report, and ordered, that the several applications and documents in relation to tombs &c. be referred to the same committee. — Sup. bur. grounds Tombs under Churches.

Petition of David L. Moseley, and others, praying, that Fourth street may be opened and continued from the village, (so called) at South Boston to the point. Read and committed to Aldermen Rupell and Bent, to consider and report. — Moseley Fourth st.

Petition of Reuben Richards, Junior, praying, that the common sewer in Cambridge street near the junction of Hancock street, may be taken up and relaid. Read and thereupon ordered, that public notice be given to all persons interested to appear before this board on Monday next, four o'clock P. M. and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. — Richards Cambridge st.

Ordered, that Ralph Hemlington, and others, to have the name of Washington place, changed to Washington square, have leave to withdraw their petition. — Hemlington Washington place.

62.

Wright
Spendthrift

Petition of Elizabeth Wright, repre-
senting that her husband Henry Wright, of Boston, cordwainer,
does by excessive drinking and idleness so waste and lessen his
estate as thereby to expose himself and his family to want &
suffering circumstances — Wherefore she prays that a complaint
be lodged with the Judge of Probate, that a Guardian may
be appointed to said Henry, according to the statute in such
case made and provided. Whereupon after the examination of
divers credible witnesses under oath, the board are of opinion
that the allegations set forth in said petition are true, & a
complaint was accordingly made out signed by the Mayor &
a majority of the Aldermen addressed to the Judge of Probate.

Green
Spendthrift

Petition of Francis Green representing
that his son Francis Green, junr. of Boston, mariner, does by ex-
cessive drinking and idleness so waste and lessen his estate as
thereby to expose himself to want and suffering circumstances.
Wherefore he prays that a complaint be lodged with the Judge
of Probate, that a Guardian may be appointed to said Francis ac-
cording to the statute in such case made and provided. Where-
upon after the examination of divers credible witnesses under
oath, the board are of opinion that the allegations set
forth in said petition are true, and a complaint was
accordingly made out and signed by the Mayor, and a
majority of the Aldermen addressed to the Judge of Probate.

Land Com
Dedham & Suffolk
Sts

The committee to whom was referred
the report of the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, reported
that he be authorized to accept the offer of twenty five cents per
foot for the purchase of two lots of land on Dedham & Suffolk
streets, containing six thousand feet each. Read & accepted. &
that the Mayor execute deeds of the same accordingly.

and others, against the petition of William Parker, and others, praying that the ascent from Broad street, to Purchase street, may be lowered. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report. Billings.

The joint committee of the City Council, on so much of the Mayor's address as relates to the subject of a continuation of Broad street to Sea street, ask leave respectfully to report, in part— That your committee met many of the parties interested in carrying this enterprize into effect, and learn from them, that the subject had been two, or more, times presented to one branch, or both of the Council, and that no very specific action had been had upon it, owing mainly to a want of unanimity in the necessary proceedings touching a subject of such magnitude, and involving in its operations so much collision of interests; but that at the present time it was thought a better feeling existed. Consequently there was more encouragement to expect success in so great an improvement as the proposed measure was believed to be to the several abutters on the line, and as they also believed to the interests of the City; On this latter point, your committee gave no opinion, confining themselves simply to agreeing to recommend, that said abutters cause a plan to be taken, if they see fit, of said projected street, of such width as they may deem practicable, the same to be presented to this Council, to be used in any further hearing, which may be had in the premises. Your committee ask leave to sit again. All which is respectfully submitted— H. J. Oliver.

64 in behalf of the Committee. Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred.

Whittemore
Brattle St.

The committee on the petition of Jervice Whittemore, for leave to take a suction from the well in Brattle Street, reported, that said Whittemore be allowed to open the Street for the purpose of uncovering said well and taking a suction from the same; & when said well is uncovered, that a chimney be built up from the same to the surface of the street, at the City's expense, with a suitable curb stone at the top for the purpose of inserting an engine hose, the same to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets.
Read and accepted.

Winn
Street

Ordered, That the Mayor be instructed to cause legal measures to be taken against the proprietors of certain buildings now being erected on the south side of Winn Street, near Hanover Street, on land claimed by the City, as a part of said Street, for the removal of said buildings, as an encroachment on said Street.

Dennis
non compos mentis.

Requisition of the Judge of Probate for the County of Suffolk, That this board would make inquisition as to the state of mind of Sarah Dennis, of Boston, singlewoman, who has been represented as a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself.
Read and thereupon ordered, That the said Sarah be notified to appear before this board, on monday next, four o'clock P.M. and shew cause (if any she have) why she should

not be declared non compos mentis as aforesaid in order that a Guardian be appointed to her according to law. 65.

Petition of Oren Faxon for a license to be a funeral undertaker. Read and committed to the committee on burial grounds and cemeteries to consider and report. Faxon

Ordered that the Mayor be instructed with the assistance of the Superintendent of Streets, to prepare and report a schedule of the several streets it may be necessary to pave and repair the present season. Streets paving &c.

Ordered that Gouch street be macadamized. Gouch street

(Adjourned to eleven o'clock to morrow morning for the purpose of considering the expediency of widening Union street, by taking a piece of land for that purpose belonging to Messrs Tufts nearly opposite the Baptist Church.) Union St.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Tuesday the twelfth day of April, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen except Aldermen Russell and Bent.

Appropriations.

Order of the Common Council changing certain heads of appropriations. Came up for concurrence.

Read & concurred.

Union street. Tufts.

Resolved, that the public safety & convenience require that Union street be widened; and the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following viz: (the parties interested having been duly notified) Beginning at the westerly corner of a wooden house belonging to Ephraim Tufts, & others, and running easterly ten feet & a point fifty feet distant therefrom, the westerly side of said street; thence running easterly from the westerly side of said street through land of said Tufts and others, and land of Ebenezer Smith, until it intersects the easterly side of the square at the northerly end of Union street; thence running southerly by the present line of said Union street to the place of beginning, taking from said Tufts and others, twelve hundred & twenty nine square feet, more or less of land, used as a passage way sixty three square feet, as marked on a plan taken by S. P. Fuller dated September 26. 1828.

Adjourned.

Wednesday, April 13th. 1831. Present The Mayor, & the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Bent.

McLean st.

The proceeded and viewed McLean street, & then adjourned to meet tomorrow, at three o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Thursday, the fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen.

The committee of Conference on Salaries the part of this board, on the subject matter of dif ference between the two boards, on the order to establish the salaries of the several officers of the City of Boston and County of Suffolk — reported; that they had met the committee on the part of the Common Council, and conferred together; and they agreed to report, that the board of Aldermen do recede from their former vote so far as to concur with the Common Council in their second proposed amendment; respecting the compensation to the keeper of the Free bridge. Read and accepted, and this board do recede from its former vote, and concur accordingly.

Com. of Conf.

The board then proceeded to view the several streets of the City.

Streets.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the eighteenth day of April Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Torrey Dock Square.

On the application of John G. Torrey, ordered, that the Mayor be authorized further to extend his claim for damages for six months longer, upon the same terms & agreements as that entered into on the thirtieth day of November 1829. for land belonging to said Torrey, taken to widen Dock square.

Representatives.

A message was received from the Common Council proposing a Convention of the City Council in the Common Council room, on Monday the second day of May next, at eight o'clock, P. M. for the purpose of fixing upon the number of Representatives, which it may be expedient for the City to elect for the next Legislature Read and thereupon ordered, that this board do concur in the above proposition and that a message be sent to the Common Council accordingly.

Funeral undertakers.

Oren Faxon and Edward Barrington licensed as funeral undertakers.

Knapp.

The committee on the application of Henry Knapp, for a license to carry on the currying of leather, on the Western Avenue, near Charles street, reported, that it is not expedient to grant the same. Read and accepted.

The committee on the application of Cyrus Alger, and others, to have Broadway, reduced and repaired Reported, that the board having considered the whole subject, the committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same. Read and accepted. Alger Broadway.

The committee on the notice of Lemuel P. Grosvenor, of his intention of building on Hanover street; reported, that when the buildings shall be erected on the same they be on a line from Woodman's corner to the corner of the Capen house, which will be about four inches in the rear of the front of the old wall now standing which was formerly the foundation wall of the Porch projecting from the Church that lately stood upon said land. Read and accepted, and ordered accordingly. Grosvenor Hanover.

Petition of William Sullivan, & others, to have the Municipal Court removed from its present location to the Court house in Court square. Read & committed to the committee on the jail and house of correction, to consider and report. Sullivan Municipal Court.

Petition of S. T. Edwards, praying leave to erect a gas light in front of the Franklin Hotel, on Merchants Row; also that he may erect a sign on said Hotel, at the third story. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report. Edwards

Henry Allen's, Esquire's bond as Register of deeds for the County of Suffolk, read & approved. Reg. of deeds bond.

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Richardson

Petition of William Richardson, that the City would purchase of him a primary School house, on the neck land in Ward No. 12, now hired by the City. Read and committed to Aldermen Rufsell and Bent to consider and report.

Richards
Cambridge st

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given on the petition of Reuben Richards pr. that the common sewer in Cambridge street, near the junction of Hancock street, be taken up and repaired, agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting. And now no person appearing to object. It is thereupon ordered, that said common sewer be taken up and relaid, and the expense thereof apesed according to law.

Dennis
non compos mentis

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given to Sarah Dennis, agreeably to the order passed on Monday last. And now no person appearing to object, and after the examination of divers credible witnesses, & mature deliberation being thereon had, the board are of opinion, & do adjudge, that the said Sarah Dennis is non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself and the same was certified to the Judge of Probate in order that a Guardian be appointed according to law.

Sepulchres of the dead.

The committee on the communication from the respective boards of Overseers of the Poor, and from the Directors of the house of Industry in relation to the act, entitled "An act, more effectually to protect the Sepulchres of the dead" respectfully report the following orders, which are submitted.

H. G. Otis, Chairman

Ordered, that the recommendations of the Overseers of the poor, and of the Directors of the house of Industry, proposing a mode of carrying into effect the provisions of the act entitled "an act more effectually to protect the Sepulchres of the dead" &c. be approved and adopted, as amended, by this board until further order; and that the Mayor be authorized and requested, to procure to be printed a sufficient number of blank orders and blank bonds to be disposed of in the mode therein recommended, and to sign the orders in behalf of this board, and generally to do and execute whatever may be necessary according to said recommendations, for carrying into effect the provisions of said act.

Sargent & Parsons new sheet.

Order of the Common Council, committing the petition of Daniel Sargent and others, that a new sheet may be made from Commercial street to Lynn street to Mess.rs James, Tremere, Clark, Wales and Rayner, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. And that the petition of William Parsons and others, for a new sheet, from North Market sheet to Lynn street be taken from the files and referred to the same committee: came up for concurrence. Read and Concurred and Aldermen Oliver and McCleary are joined.

Sup. burial grounds. Tombs at South Boston &c.

The committee on the burial grounds, to whom was referred the communication from the Superintendent of burial grounds, have attended to that subject, and find evidence to confirm the statement of that officer in respect to the state of the burial grounds at South Boston. The tombs are in a state of exposure, against which it is hardly possible to provide adequate protection. By an estimate made

'52. Tombs_ the last year by a joint committee the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars was thought necessary for that purpose, but on further examination an apprehension prevailed that the expenditure would be lost, and the report was not carried into effect. Two years since the sum of sixteen hundred dollars was appropriated for building eight new tombs in the burial ground on the Neck, which however have never been constructed. The committee are now of opinion that it is expedient to concentrate the attention and expenses which may become requisite for burials at the expense of the City, to the public burial ground on the Neck, and to prepare to abandon the burying ground at South Boston. By this operation a more effectual protection can be provided for the tombs, and at less ultimate expense than will be incident to the present mode of interment occasionally in both places; indeed it is conjectured by the Superintendent, and as this committee think on probable grounds, that should a plan be now adopted, for constructing a certain number of tombs for the interment of paupers, and a corresponding number in which bodies might be deposited for a stipulated compensation; the revenue arising from the latter would, in the process of no very long period, reimburse the whole expenditure demanded for both objects; and that by a regular and judicious arrangement in the order of burial and disposing of the bodies, it would result that such tombs would be found competent for the interment of greater numbers than could otherwise be buried without extensive appropriation of ground of much greater value than the tombs thus prepared to be constructed. The plan which, in this view seems to the committee most advisable is therefore, to commence the construction of a line of tombs, at each end of the eastern line of the lot of land on the Neck used for

a burial ground, as now fenced in; and thus to approximate 73.
the two wings from time to time until the line shall
be completed and closed at the centre. To reserve the
tombs on one side for the interment of the poor, and
those on the other side for interments for which a reason
able fee should be paid. And to commence this project
by building eight tombs the present season. Conformably to
these opinions the committee report the following order,
which is respectfully submitted. Wm. G. Otis. Pr. order.

Ordered, That the committee on the
burial grounds be authorized to commence building tombs
the present season on the east line of the lot of land
on the neck now used as a burial ground, and to
construct thereon the present season a number of tombs not
exceeding eight, in the whole; and that the sum of twelve
hundred dollars be appropriated to the purpose of this
order, to be withdrawn from the reserved fund.

Read and accepted, and the order passed?

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petition of Josiah Quincy, trustee of Edw. Quincy
Bromfield Phillips, a minor praying leave to open a drain from Beacon st.
a block of buildings owned by said minor, on the south
side of Beacon street, to connect with the common sewer.
Read, and the prayer thereof granted, to be done under
the direction of the Superintendent of streets.

Adjourned to nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

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At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Tuesday the nineteenth day of April, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Public buildings.

Order of the Common Council directing the joint committee on public buildings to take the "care and superintendence" of the same, agreeably to the 66 section of the City Charter. Came up for concurrence.

Read & nonconcurred.

McLean street

Resolved, That the public safety & convenience require, that McLean street be widened, and the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following, viz: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of land of Luther Ellis, and running southerly by the easterly line of said Ellis's land six feet to a point forty two feet six inches southerly from the brick wall of the estate of Asher Adams, from thence running westerly about one hundred and eleven feet, four inches to Bloom street, to a point forty two feet, six inches southerly from the front of the houses on the northerly side of said McLean street; thence running northerly by Bloom street) feet to the present line of said McLean street, thence running easterly by the present line of said McLean street, one hundred & thirteen feet, six inches to the place of beginning. Taking from Silas P. Tarbell, five hundred, twenty nine and a half square feet, and two hundred and eighty six square feet from Luther Ellis, as marked on a plan taken by J. P. Fuller, dated December 5. 1828.

The following resolution was proposed for adoption viz:- Resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that Cambridge street be widened, according to a plan taken by S. P. Fuller, beginning at the corner of Doctor Shattuck's house on the corner of Hanifod street, and running westerly on a line with said house until it comes to the passage way leading to the West Church. Thereupon ordered, that Doctor Shattuck be notified of the tendency of this subject, and that this board will pass upon the same on Monday next, four o'clock P. M. Cambridge street.

Ordered, that the Superintendent of streets be directed to carry into effect the order which passed the board of Aldermen, September 28th 1830, for reducing the level of Broadway. Broadway.

The committee to whom was referred the application of Charles Robbins, for an increase of his wages as overseer of the House of Correction, have considered the subject and report, that it is expedient that the compensation of said Robbins be so far increased that he shall hereafter be entitled to receive the sum of fifty dollars a month instead of the compensation to which he is now entitled, to commence on the first day of April instant. Robbins

For the committee Sam. F. Armstrong.

Read and accepted.

The committee to whom was referred the application of the proprietors of the Boston South bridge, suggesting their belief that some terms might be Boston South bridge

agreed upon between them and the City mutually beneficial, have had repeated conferences with a committee appointed by the proprietors and invited them to propose the terms which may have been in contemplation by them. But this committee of the proprietors though possessing full powers, declined making any offers or proposing any terms respecting the premises un til some committee on the part of the City government were invested with the same full powers — so that no re port can be made predicated upon a knowledge of the wishes or intention of the proprietors. The committee have however ascertained to their satisfaction, that the free bridge has so effectually diverted the travel from the South bridge as to leave the latter in a deplorable state. The entire income being now quite unequal to the expenditures. — The bridge is also going to decay and requires an expenditure of at least thirty five hundred dollars, for immediate repairs, and the future annual expense of repairs and of raising the drawer cannot be less than five hundred dollars. The com mittee under these circumstances cannot but think it would be for the interest of the City, that it should remain in the hands of the proprietors rather than to take it as a donation with its incumbrances — Nevertheless, as it is an accommodating avenue to a section of the City, & the lop of it would be felt as a grievance, it is their opinion, that if the proprietors should see fit to surrender to the City their entire franchise without any compensation, it would be expedient to accept it, and to assume the burthen of supporting the bridge, and therefore report the following order, which is respectfully submitted.

H. G. Otis, Chairman.

Ordered, that if the proprietors of the Boston South bridge shall at any time within [One A year] from this date,

by proper legal conveyances, assign to the City of Boston, the said bridge, and all their right and title to the franchise thereof, free of all incumbrances and demands from all persons, it will be expedient for the City to accept the same, & the same is hereby declared to be accepted when said assignment shall be completed as aforesaid. And that the City will thenceforth keep said bridge in repair and assume the control and superintendence thereof until the expiration of the Charter. Read and accepted, & the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred with an amendment, at A strike out "one year" and insert "four months." Read & concurred. 177

Communication from the Auditor of accounts, respecting rent due from Thomas Patten Agent of the Boston Soap Stone Company, for rent of Shop and land of the City's near Clinton street, requesting the appointment of a Committee to determine whether any deduction shall be allowed. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report. Aud. gen.l Soap Stone Co.

An ordinance regulating the survey and admeasurement of Wood, bark and Coal for fuel, came up from the Common Council passed, as taken into a new draft. Read and committed to Aldermen McCleary, Binney and Harris, to consider and report. Wood, bark & Coal

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the twenty fifth day of April, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Bradford Rail road.

Order of the Common Council committing the petition of William B. Bradford, Jun.a, and others, praying, that Hayward's report on the Rail road with maps and profiles may be printed and distributed to each voter. to the committee on accounts, to consider and report

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Leiture May & Grove streets.

The committee on the petition of Catharine Leitner, to be remunerated for the damage w.ch she has sustained in consequence of reducing the level of May & Grove streets, in addition to that which has already been granted her; reported, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw her petition. Read and accepted.

Public buildgs

Order of the Common Council, committing the message of the Mayor to the Common Council of March 31st. 1831, relative to the care of public buildings to Messrs. Robbins, Waters and Richardson; with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred; and Aldermen Rufell and Wares are joined.

Petition of John D. Williams, and others, praying that a street which is contemplated to be made by the Inhabitants of Roxbury, and other towns adjacent thereto, in a line from the Revd Dr. Porter's meeting house to the City's land, and which has been recommended to be made across said land and flats to meet a street lately laid out across the proprietors flats to Pleasant street — And that said street may be further continued to Tremont street. Read and committed in Common Council to Messrs. Stevens, James and Lawrence with such as the board of Aldermen might join; to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and non concurred. — Williams — New street.

Communication from the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, proposing that the price of pasturing Cows on the neck lands be reduced from eight to seven dollars, with the understanding that they are to go upon unfenced lands at the risk of the owners. Read and thereupon ordered, that the same be reduced accordingly. Land Comr. Cows.

Communication from the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, proposing that the lot of land on Milk street on which an Engine house now stands, be sold upon the terms therein mentioned? Read and granted, and that the same be put up at such minimum price as the committee of that district may direct. Land Comr. Milk St.

Order of the Common Council authorizing the City Treasurer to borrow a sum of money not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, at such times, on such conditions as the committee of finance may direct, in anticipation of the tax of the current year. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred. Treasurer to borrow money. vide page 85.

80.

Lovering & South Bennett &c.

Petition of William Lovering and others, praying that South Bennett street be hereafter known & called Eagle street. Read and committed to Aldermen Russell and Bent, to consider and report.

Com.ee of Finance?

Ordered, That the following be, and the same is hereby adopted as one of the joint rules of the two boards of the City Council, viz.: A joint standing committee to consist of three members of the board of Aldermen, and four members of the Common Council, shall be appointed on the subject of finance.

Sent down for concurrence.

Non concurred in Common Council.

Land Com.r Suffolk St.

Ordered, That the Commissioner for the sale of public lands be authorized to proceed in the construction of the northerly part of Suffolk street, and the lower street as stated in his communication dated April 18. 1831, and the plan accompanying the same: And also to proceed in the construction of the Dyke on the east side of the neck as stated in another communication of the same date, with the plan accompanying the same: The said operations to be conducted within the limits, and upon the principles proposed in said communication respectively, under the inspection of the committee of the district; subject to such variations only as the Com.ee committee with the advice and consent of the Mayor shall direct.

Mechanic Riflemen.

Petition of William L. Crohore & others, a committee of the company of Mechanic Riflemen, for an armory. Read & com.d to Ald. Oliver & Russell; to consider & report.

Petition of Chandler Robbins, Junior, and others, to have Franklin street numbered; praying, that two projecting porticoes in said street may be removed. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report. Robbins — Franklin St.

The committee on the petition of Ann Allen, by her Guardian Louis Howe, for damage in taking her land to widen Spring street, report, that the sum of seventy five cents a foot ought to be paid, for so much of the land taken from the estate named in said petition for the purpose of widening said street. Read & accepted with an amendment, to strike out "seventy five cents," & in lieu thereof insert "one dollar." Allen — Spring St.

The committee on the petition of David L. Moseley, and others, praying that Fourth street South Boston, be continued from the village to the point, — Report, That the public convenience requires that the order of the Selectmen of the town of Boston, passed on the twenty seventh of February, 1805, accepting and laying out Fourth street, be carried into execution, as far as the same now remains unfinished, agreeably to the plan of Mather Withington of the above date now on the files of the board. Per the committee, Benj. Rupell, Chairman. Read and accepted. Moseley — Fourth St.

Petition of Aaron Baldwin, praying that such arrangements may be made respecting the road leading to his mills constructed by him across the City's lands as may be found equitable. Read and committed to Aldermen Rupell and Bent, to consider and report. Baldwin

82.

Tuckerman Castle st.

Petition of Edward Tuckerman praying that the common sewer in Castle street be taken up and relaid to a greater depth than the existing one. Read and committed to Aldermen Rupell and Bent to consider and report.

Homes & Bap. Alden Lane.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Barzillai Homes and Henry Bap, to have the common sewer relaid extending from Court street down Alden Lane, reported, that an order of notice be issued in the usual form for all persons interested to appear before this board on monday next, four o'clock P. M. and shew cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

Read and accepted.

Redfern. May & Grove sheets.

The committee on the petition of Wm Redfern, to be remunerated for the damage which he has sustained in consequence of reducing the level of Grove & May sheets, in addition to that which has already been granted him, reported, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Read and accepted.

Laird's mortgage

The City Treasurer and Auditor of accounts, having certified that a note of Robert Laird for eleven hundred, eighty five dollars and thirty cents, payable to the City, has been fully paid, both principal & interest, which note was secured by mortgage recorded with Suffolk deeds Lib. 272 fol. 266. Thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be requested to discharge said mortgage on the records.

Requisition of the Judge of Probate for the County of Suffolk, that inquisition be made on the state of mind of Rebecca Mann of the City of Boston, widow, who has been represented as a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself. Read and thereupon ordered, that the said Rebecca be notified to appear before this board, on monday next, four o'clock P.M. and shew cause, if any she have, why she should not be declared non compos mentis as aforesaid, in order that a Guardian be appointed to her according to law. Mann non compos mentis.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given to Doctor Shattuck to appear at this time and shew cause, if any he have, why a piece of his land should not be taken to widen Cambridge street near Staniford street. And now said Shattuck appears, by his attorney and objects to the same. And after a full hearing, it is thereupon ordered, that said Cambridge street be widened according to the wishes and proposition of Doctor Shattuck, provided he shall release all claim for land given in heretofore to widen Staniford street. And also that no building be erected on the present one extended between his house and S. Cambridge and Staniford streets. Shattuck Cambridge St. Vide post pa. 88.

Application of Charles Beaumont for a license to exhibit at Corinthian Hall, corner of Milk & Federal streets, a collection of Historical and other ancient paintings, from the different galleries of Europe, being the productions of many of the celebrated masters of the old Schools. Read, and the prayer thereof granted, without pay. Beaumont Paintings.

84.

Graine Notre dame

Application of Peter Graine for a license to exhibit at No. 1, Franklin street, an original painting of "Notre Dame", the production of his own pencil. Read and the prayer thereof granted.

Streets.

Ordered, that the Superintendents of streets be directed to proceed in repairing the several streets specified in the schedule annexed under the direction of the committee of the several districts within the limits of the sums estimated as requisite for the same; subject to such variations as the said committees respectively, with the advice of the Mayor may from time to time order & determine.

Kingston street.

Ordered, that Kingston street be paved and that the several abuttors be notified to lay their side walks according to law.

Jespers.

Application of the Jespers, suggesting the expediency of providing them with blanks to assist them in taking a list of the rateable polls and estates of the City. Read and committed to Aldermen Dewsbury, Mr. Cleary and Binney, to consider and report.

Weafer. Wife Pleasant St.

Petition of James Weafer, and Ann his wife, praying leave to cross Pleasant street with a drain. Read and committed to Aldermen Russell and Bent, to consider and report.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a special meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the twenty seventh day of April, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Bent.

Treasurer to borrow money
Vide pa. 79.

The board reconsidered the vote by which they concurred with the Common Council, with an amendment, in passing the order authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money, not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and they now concur with said Council, and pass said order.

Mayor to send a message

Previous to passing the last vote, it was ordered, that the Mayor be requested to send a message to the Common Council, declaring as the sense of this board, that in concurring in the order which passed that board, on the twenty first instant, authorizing the Treasurer to borrow a sum of money, at such times, & on such conditions as the committee of finance may direct, in anticipation of the tax of the current year; they have been actuated solely by the consideration that any delay incident to a sudden departure from a practice which has prevailed (as they believe through inadvertance) might embarrass the financial operations of the government, and not by a disposition to accede to a continuance of that practice. &c.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on monday, the second day of May, Anno Domini, 1831. —

Present. —

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Taylor & Goss.

The committee on the petition of Daniel Taylor and Orra Goss, occupants of cellar under the post office, City Hall; for a reduction of rent, reported, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Robbins — Franklin St.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Chandler Robbins, Jr. and John Pickering, relative to the numbering of Franklin street, and removing two porticoes, that incumber the same, have attended to that service and report, that said porticoes project into the street and very much annoy the passengers on the side walks — The owners Mr. Eckley & Mr. Wells are willing to have them removed; provided, they are put to no expense for the same — Mr. Benjamin having estimated the expense at about twenty nine dollars. The committee recommend, that said porticoes be removed — and the street numbered under the direction of the committee. For the committee, Henry Farnam.

The foregoing report was read and accepted, and ordered accordingly.

Petition of Pliny Cutler, pres- Atlantic bk.
ident of the Atlantic bank to close Doane street, during Kilby & Doane
the erection of a new building at the corner of said streets.
street and Kilby street, and also for liberty to erect
arches under the side walks. Read and committed
to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider & report.

Petition of Abby Salisbury to Salisbury
be remunerated for the damage which she has sustained Washington st.
in consequence of her land being taken to widen Washington
street near Summer street. Read and committed to
Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider & report.

An ordinance regulating the sale Wood, coal &
ing and admeasurement of wood, bark and coal for fuel, bark
being read, passed in concurrence with the Common Coun-
cil with amendments. Sent down for concurrence.

Communication from the overseers H. of Correction.
of the house of correction, stating, that the furnaces used in
said establishment are out of repair, and suggesting that
stoves be provided as a substitute. Read and committed
to the committee on the Jail and House of Correction, to
consider and report.

Communication from the Clerk of Clk. of Market.
the Market, stating, that the tide water has again got in
to some of the Market cellars. Read & committed to the com-
mittee on the Market, to consider & report.

88.

Boylston Ins. Co. Washington St.

Petition of Aaron Baldwin, President of the Boylston Insurance company, to be remunerated for damage in consequence of taking a piece of their land to widen Washington street, between Essex and Beach streets. Read & committed to Aldermen Kupfell and Bent, to consider and report.

Shattuck Cambridge St. Vide ante, pa. 83.

The board reconsider their former vote in relation to taking Doctor Shattuck's land to widen Cambridge street between Stanford and Lynde streets, passed on the 25th ultimo; Thereupon resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that Cambridge street be widened, and the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following, viz: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of land belonging to Doctor George C. Shattuck, and running northerly by Stanford street, seven feet; thence running westerly by the southeasterly corner of said Shattuck's dwelling house; and in a straight direction towards a point on the easterly side of a dwelling house belonging to George Blake, and Alexander Townsend, Esqrs. which point is twelve feet ten inches distant northerly from the southeasterly corner of said last mentioned house, and measuring on this line seventy four feet, ten inches more or less, to the passage way leading to the West Church; thence running southerly by said passage way eleven feet, more or less, to the present line of Cambridge street; thence running easterly by said present line of Cambridge street seventy four feet, ten inches more or less to the place of beginning. — Taking from said Shattuck, six hundred seventy three & a half square feet of land, as marked on a plan taken by I. P. Fuller, dated April 18th 1831. — Said Shattuck being first duly notified.

Ordered, that George Blake & Alexander Townsend Esquires, be notified to appear before this board on monday next, four o'Clock P.M. and shew cause, if any they have, why Cambridge street should not be widened by taking a piece of their land, for that purpose, lying between Lynde street, and the passage way leading to the West Church. Blake and Townsend — Cambridge St.

Ordered, that Aldermen Armstrong and Binney be a committee with full power to cause the removal of the Gun house on Charles street, near the western avenue, from its present location; provided, that one half of the expense at least be paid by public subscription; and provided, that the City shall not pay more than two hundred and twenty five dollars. Charles St. Gun house.

The committee of the Southern district, report, that they have made a thorough examination and survey of the Free bridge in company with the bridge keeper, and found it to be in a condition, with some necessary repairs, promising several years of usefulness. These repairs have been required by the effects of strong gales of wind; violent contacts of vessels, and the decay of refuse timber used in its construction. They are principally confined to the floor timbers, girders and caps of the posts of the piers appear to be sound. They also found the plank used in the abutments and sheathing of the drawers, to be so much worn, as to require renewal before the ensuing winter, and recommend to the board the expediency of purchasing a lot of plank for the purpose to be deposited for seasoning on the bridge wharf. In the examination of the interior of the bridge; the committee were Boston free bridge.

90. satisfied; that the settling of a part of the northern section has been owing to the use, in the original construction of, posts too short to be driven a sufficient depth into the clay bottom, and having evidence that the settling of the bridge had been yearly decreasing, and had been very little during the last six months, they deemed it their duty to direct parallel groves to be made in the most settled piers, in order, at some future examination to afford a test of their permanency. The committee were informed, that the southern roliaf of the bridge has been so lightly constructed, as to be in imminent danger of destruction by high tides, accompanied by gales of wind; and are of opinion; that the permanency of the wharf might be insured by sinking two or three ballast cisterns between the piers. The committee further report on information received from various sources, including the bridge keeper, the following estimates of expenses in the premises. —

For timber &c. for the repair of the interior of bridge	$ 100. —
For plank &c. for future repair of the drawer	106. 75
For cisterns and ballast	50. —
For labor &c.	40. —
Total	$ 296. 75

Respectfully submitted —

Benj.ⁿ Russell
Adam Bent. } Committee

Read and accepted.

Tuckerman
Castle St.

The committee on the petition of Edw.ᵈ Tuckerman, praying, that a new common sewer be laid in Castle street Reported; That the usual order of notice be issued, for all persons interested to appear before this board on monday next, four o'clock, P. M. and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. —

Ordered, that the following officers be and they are hereby appointed for the ensuing year viz: Fence viewers.

Nathaniel Bradlee, Romanus Emerson, and Rolin Hartshorn, fence viewers.

Benjamin Clark, Nathaniel Howe, Benjamin Luckis and Charles L. Pook, Cullers of dry fish.

James Brown, Benjamin Clark, Nathaniel Howe, and Charles L. Pook, Cullers of hoops and staves.

Francis James, Samuel Sprague, Inspectors of lime.

John Wells and Lewis A. Lauriat, Weigh masters.

Samuel Emmons & Benjamin Rich, Surveyors of hemp.

James Ellicott, Charles Gaylad and Levi White, hogreeves & field drivers.

Levi White, Samuel Phillips and Royal Oliver pound keepers.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

It appearing to this board that notice has been given agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting on the petition of Barzillai Homes and Henry Bass, that the common sewer, leading from Court street through Alden lane be taken up and relaid: And now no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered, that said common sewer be relaid and the expense thereof apesed according to law upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby. Homes & Bass. Alden lane.

Ordered, that the Mayor be requested to present the thanks of this board in behalf of the city, to the heirs of Mrs Swan, for the valuable donation of an original portrait of General Henry Knox; by Stewart, and that the same be new varnished and placed in Faneuil Hall, under the direction of the Mayor. Knox

Richardson

The committee on the representation of William Richardson; that the City would purchase a certain School house, situated on the City Neck lands and now occupied for a primary school, erected by said Richardson. Report, that said house was erected in 1829, under the direction of a committee of this board; that said Richardson was to be allowed rent therefor at the rate of fifty dollars per annum, the City reserving the right at any time to take the said building to its own account, paying therefor the sum of four hundred dollars. The committee being of opinion, as the City is now paying over twelve per cent. per annum on the sum at which it is authorized by its agreement with the petitioner to take said building, that the annexed order ought to be passed. Respectfully submitted; for the committee

B. Russell.

Ordered, That the sum of four hundred dollars be paid to William Richardson, for the purchase of a primary School house, standing on land belonging to the City, on the easterly side of Washington street, on Neck lands, and that said amount be withdrawn from the Reserved fund, agreeably to the report of a committee accepted by the board of Aldermen, accompanying this order.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Milk street.

The board reconsider their former vote in relation to selling a piece of land on Milk street, and it is ordered, that the same be not sold, the committee considering it proper to keep the same for the use of the City.

Engine No. 12.

Ordered, That the committee of the fire department be authorized to purchase a new engine in place of Engine No. 12.

Ordered, That warrants be issued for meetings of the Inhabitants in their several wards on wednesday, the eleventh day of May, instant, at eleven o'clock A. M. then and there to give in their votes by ballot, for or against the proposed article of amendment to the Constitution of this Commonwealth changing the commencement of the political year from the last wednesday of May, to the first wednesday of January, &c. pursuant to a resolve of the Legislature passed on the seventh day of March last. And that the polls be kept open until three o'clock P. M. Warrants for Ward meetings

In Convention.

Agreeably to assignment, a convention of the City Council was held in the Common Council room for the purpose of determining upon the number of Representatives, it may be expedient for the City to send to the next General Court. Representatives number agreed upon

The Mayor produced and read a certificate from the Assessors, certifying, that the number of rated polls for the year 1830, was 13096. Rated polls.

The question being taken it was determined that the number should be Sixty.

The business of the Convention being accomplished, the two branches separated.

Ordered, That warrants be issued for meetings of the Inhabitants in their respective wards on wednesday, the eleventh day of May instant, at eleven o'clock, A. M. for the choice of Representatives. The Poll to be kept open until three o'clock, P. M. Warrants for Ward meetings.

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Hales Washington st.

The committee on the petition of William Hales, and others, praying that a good and sufficient common sewer be laid in Washington street from West to Essex streets - Reported that the usual order of notice be issued for all persons interested to appear before this board, on Monday next, four o'clock P. M. and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

Hall over Faneuil Hall Market

Ordered, That the committee on the Market consider and report a suitable name for the Hall over Faneuil Hall Market.

Handcartmen licensed

Ordered, That the licenses of handcartmen be renewed and granted to the several persons who were licensed the last year and against whom no complaint has been made.

May & Grove street.

Resolved, That the whole board will meet in May street on Thursday morning next, eight o'clock, A. M. for the purpose of viewing that street and Grove street.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the ninth day of May, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Watson, Bartlett, and Stevens, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to audit and settle the accounts of the City and County Treasurer for the past financial year; came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Armstrong and Harris are joined. — Treasurer's accounts.

Petition of Stephen A. Pierce, and others, to have Washington street widened between the stores belonging to the Boylston fire and marine Insurance company, & the Lafayette Hotel, opposite Boylston Market House. Read and committed to Aldermen Russell and Bent, to consider and report. — Pierce Washington st.

Petition of Alexander Young, for leave to place stone posts in front of his house, for the protection of the steps of said house. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report. — Young Oliver st.

Petition of George Alexander Otis, to open a cellar way and make a side walk on the east end of the building corner of State and Devonshire streets. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report. — Otis Devonshire st.

96.

Petition of Josiah Bradlee, & others,

Bradlee's Reservoirs

praying, that three reservoirs of salt water, between India wharf and Long wharf, be so constructed as to be left full of water on the reflux of the tide, and to furnish an ample supply of water, for use in case of fire. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

Market hall

The committee on the Market to whom was referred an order to consider and report a suitable name for the Hall over Faneuil Hall Market. Reported, that said hall be hereafter called and known by the name of Market hall. Read and accepted, & ordered accordingly. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred with an amendment, viz: strike out "Market" and insert "Quincy." Laid on the Table.

Ch. Eng. fire department & W. & L. Carriage Bells.

Communication from the Chief Engineer of the fire department, stating, that a house is necessary for the deposit of the new hook and ladder carriage; and that High street is a proper place for that purpose. Also respecting ringing of bells, giving alarm at fires. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

Baptist Ch. Charles St.

Petition of the committee of the proprietors of Charles street Baptist Church, for leave to erect tombs under said Church. Read and committed to the committee on burial grounds and cemeteries, to consider & report.

Petition of Zechariah Hicks, and others, that Dock square be widened by taking down the front of Ebenezer Breed's store: Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report. Hicks Dock Square.

The committee on the notice of William Donnison, Esquire of his intention of building on Winter street reported, that said street ought to be widened by taking a part of his lot, according to a plan taken by S. P. Fuller, whenever the buildings thereon shall be taken down.

Read and accepted. Donnison Winter St.

The committee of the western district to whom was referred the communication of John C. Thayer, in behalf of Nancy D. Volker, respecting her building on Washington street. Also the notice of David C. Moseley, stating his intention of repairing his estate on said street, & the corner of Bromfield street. Report, that the public safety and convenience require, that said Washington street should be widened, by taking a piece of land on the westerly side, beginning at the northerly corner of the store occupied by John Ashton, and extending by said Bromfield street to the brick building north of Marlboro' Hotel, according to a plan taken by S. P. Fuller. And that the several owners and tenants be notified, that the board will proceed to widen said street and remove the several buildings from the line of said street thus widened, according to said plan, on the twentieth day of June next, unless they shall be removed previous to that time. For the committee,

S. Armstrong.

Read and accepted, and ordered accordingly. Sent. Volker Moseley Washington St.

98. And thereupon resolved, that the public safety and convenience require that Washington street be widened; and that the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following viz: Beginning at the southerly corner of a store belonging to David Greenough or John P. Thorndike; from thence running southwesterly about one hundred and eighty three feet to the southerly side of a wooden building standing on land now or lately held by George Domett, under a lease; said land is situated opposite Franklin street; thence running southeasterly three feet, four inches to the present line of said street; thence running northeasterly by said present line one hundred, eighty three feet seven inches; thence running northwesterly to the place of beginning. Taking from land in possession of said Domett, fifty two square feet; - of John Parker eighty six and two thirds square feet; - of David & Moseley, one hundred, thirty eight and two thirds square feet; of Stephens Bigelow, Junr, at the corner of Bromfield street one hundred thirty one and two thirds square feet, and said Bigelow's land leased to John Ashton; two hundred and twenty three square feet; and of the heirs of Col. John Boyle, deceased one hundred and seventy nine square feet; of Nancy D. Walker one hundred ninety one and three quarters square feet as marked on a plan taken by S. P. Fuller; dated April 8. 1825.

Morse Howard st.

The committee on the petition of Elijah Morse; to have Howard street widened; reported, that it is not expedient to grant the prayer of said petition at this time.

Read and accepted.

Auctioneer.

Henry Briggs licensed as an Auctioneer Exchange street.

Petition of Ephraim Tufts, Elizabeth Tufts and Ephraim Tufts, Junior; to be remunerated for the damage in taking their land to widen Union street, Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report. — Tufts Union street.

The committee on the petition of Jacob Sanderson, and others, occupants of stalls in Faneuil Hall market house; to have their rents reduced — Reported, that there be a reduction of fifteen per centum from the present rent of the stalls to commence on the first day of May instant. — Read and accepted. Sanderson Market stalls

The committee on the Market reported the following regulations for the government of the Market, viz.: Market regulations

I. The entries and passage ways, through & across the Market house, shall be kept clean, clear and free of every obstruction.

II. No offals, animal or vegetable substance, scrapings or sweepings, damaged salt, pickle or foul water shall be thrown or swept from the stalls or cellars into the passage ways, on the side walks, or into the streets adjoining the Market house, at any time during the day or night, the occupiers of stalls shall provide themselves with suitable vessels to hold the same, to be delivered for the City Carts daily.

III. The rent of all the stalls shall hereafter be paid weekly, and the occupier of the stall, shall not be permitted to under let the same, or any part thereof,

100. but when the occupier of any Stall shall from any cause whatever, vacate the same, or receive notice from the Mayor & Aldermen to vacate the same, or shall neglect or refuse to pay his rent, or neglect or refuse to comply with the regulations, established for the good order and cleanliness of the Market house, its entries, passage ways, side walks and the streets adjoining the Market house, for the space of twenty four hours, such Stall or Stalls shall revert to the City and be at the disposal of the Mayor and Aldermen. Read and accepted, and the same are established accordingly.

Sullivan Beacon St.

The committee on the petition of William Sullivan, and others, to have a side walk laid in Beacon street on the side of the Mall leading from Park to Charles streets, reported, that in their opinion it is not necessary at this time to lay a side walk as prayed for, that whenever it is done the fence surrounding the common in this street must be removed; and as it is desirable the new fence should be of iron, no amount at the disposal of the board would be sufficient for this purpose, therefore this application cannot be complied with at this time. Read and accepted.

Atlantic Bk Kilby & Doane streets.

The committee on the petition of Pliny Cutler, President of the Atlantic Bank to erect arches under the side walks in front of their new building on Doane and Kilby streets, reported, that said Cutler be permitted to construct arch vaults under said walks, under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets, on paying the usual prices. Read and accepted.

Petition of Henry Chapman & Joseph Grafton, praying, that a regulation authorizing the sale of fresh fish at the Merchants Hall market house, in the same manner as at Faneuil Hall and Boylston markets. Read and committed to the Committee on the Market to consider and report.

Chapman
Sale of fish.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given to Rebecca Mann, to appear & shew cause, if any she have, why she should not be declared non compos mentis and incapable of taking care of herself. And now no person appearing to object and after the hearing of divers credible witnesses under oath, the board are of opinion and do accordingly adjudge the said Rebecca to be non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself, and the same was certified to the Judge of Probate in order that a guardian be appointed to her according to law.

Mann
non compos mentis

The committee of the south district to whom was referred the memorial of Aaron Baldwin, Esq. in relation to the road constructed by him across the City lands, and also to the boundaries of the lot of land purchased by him of the City for a mill seat, Report— That they have, in company with the Land Commissioner, viewed said road and lot, examined the deed of the latter, and a communication of the land Commissioner on the whole subject in discussion, and are of opinion, that the memorialist has no legal claim on the City for any allowance on account of said road or lot. That nevertheless, they are of opinion there are circumstances peculiar to both cases, which are worthy of the consideration of the

Baldwin

board. They find from said Baldwins statement that he has expended about one thousand dollars, on said road, and on a contiguous ditch, drain, and that said road and drain although made for his own accommodation have been found to be beneficial in draining the City lands in the vicinity, through which it runs twelve hundred feet, that part of said road has occasionally been used by the City; & that the other part may become beneficial to the operations of the City now making on a new road. The committee find, that in the purchase of the Mill seat lot, said Baldwin paid a price equal, in the opinion of the Land Commissioners to its present worth, independent of the cost of the road, and that the lot of land situated between the above lot, which is stated in the deed as being bounded on the flats of said City used as the receiving basin and the new boundary of said receiving basin belonging to the City contains about twenty one thousand feet of flats, through which however said Baldwin has a right of sluice way. Therefore, in consideration of these circumstances the committee are of opinion (in which the Land Commissioners accords, that an order ought to be passed, authorizing the conveyance to said Baldwin of the lot of flats above mentioned on the payment of one cent per square foot; therefore and on condition, that said Baldwin waive all further claims on the City touching the premises, and further that he waive all claim on the City for making said road, any addition which shall be made thereto, and that the same hereafter shall be used as a public highway. The purchase money for said lot to be expended in the completion of the new street now making to connect Davis street with said Baldwins road under the direction of the Land Commissioners.

Read and accepted.

Petition of Henry B. Rogers, & others praying that the drain in Leverett Street, be taken up and relaid according to law: Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report. — Rogers — Leverett St.

Memorial of Engine company No. 10, praying that sufficient funds may be provided to furnish their house with necessary furniture. Read and committed to the committee of the fire department, to consider and report. — Engine No. 10.

Petition of Ellis Gray Loring, praying that further time be given for the removal of the front of the stone yard, occupied by Cary & Dickenson, which projects into Front street. Read and committed to Aldermen Rufell and Bent, to consider and report. — Loring — Front St.

Application of David Homer to erect arches under the side walks in West street. Read and committed to Aldermen Rufell and Bent, to consider and report. — Homer — West St.

Adjourned to Thursday next, 12 o'Clock M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Thursday, the twelfth day of May, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Bent.

Representatives.

The board proceeded to examine the returns of votes from the several wards given in yesterday, for sixty Representatives to represent the City in the next General Court, that being the number agreed upon by the City Council, and found them to be as stated in the Book of Records kept for that purpose. That fifty three only were elected as named in said record. Ordered that the return be made out and signed and notices to the persons elected and delivered by a Constable according to law.

Constitution amendm.t of.

The board also proceeded to examine the returns of votes from the several wards, on the amendment of the Constitution of the Commonwealth, and found them to be as follows, viz.t yeas eleven hundred and fifteen. Nays fifteen hundred and nine. Ordered, That returns be made out, signed and returned according to the resolve of the Legislature.

Warrants for ward meetings.

The whole number of Representatives not having been elected, ordered, That warrants be issued for meetings of the Inhabitants in their several wards on Saturday next, twelve o'Clock, M. for seven more to complete the number agreed upon by the City Council. The hall to be kept open until three o'Clock, P. M. Ordered that notifications be published in the news papers, and also issued in the common form.

Treasurer's accounts.

The committee appointed by the City Council, to examine and audit the accounts of the City and County Treasurer, have attended to that duty & find the accounts are correctly stated, and that there are proper vouchers for the same. The committee find that there has been received on account of the City six hundred and thirty eight thousand, seven hundred and seven dollars & ninety one cents — and that there has been paid on the same account six hundred and twenty one thousand, seven hundred and thirty one dollars and eighty three cents, leaving a balance due to the City of sixteen thousand, nine hundred and seventy six dollars and eight cents. The committee also find that there has been received on account of the County, twenty two thousand, two hundred and eighty two dollars and thirty cents, and that there has been paid on the same account thirty eight thousand three hundred and ninety two dollars and ninety nine cents, leaving a balance against the County of sixteen thousand, one hundred and ten dollars and sixty nine cents, and leaving a final balance in the Treasury on the thirtieth day of April last of eight hundred, sixty five dollars and thirty nine cents. —

Sam. T. Armstrong
Rich: D. Harris.
Isaac Waters
Levi Bartlett.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday,
the sixteenth day of May, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Atlantic Bk. Doane St.

Petition of Pliny Cutler, President of the Atlantic bank, in behalf of the Directors of said bank, praying, that a survey may be had on the building now being erected by Elisha Parks corner of Doane and Kilby streets, they fearing that said building is not safely supported, that in case of fire or high wind it is very liable to fall to the imminent danger of the property of the petitioners and the lives of the community. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report.

Otis Devonshire st.

The committee on the petition of George A. Otis, to open a cellar way at the east end of the building corner of State and Devonshire streets, report, that Devonshire street at the point where said Otis wants to project his cellar way is but twelve and a half feet wide. And the statute law on the subject restrains any cellar door or platform from projecting more than one tenth part into the street which would allow but one foot, three inches projection, and said Otis requires two and half feet for the same permission therefore cannot be granted.

Henry Farnam per order.

Read and accepted.

Lincoln Sudbury street.

Petition of Henry Lincoln, Jr. others, praying, that Sudbury street be widened. Read & committed to Aldermen Farnam & Harris to consider and report.

The committee of the middle district to whom was referred the petition of Alexander Young, praying permission to put up a row of stone posts where the edge stones of the side walk now are in front of his houses on the southwest side of Oliver street — Report — That it would in their opinion be highly improper to permit stone posts to be put up according to said Youngs request. If permitted it would very much annoy the travel in said street, therefore said petition ought not to be granted; but said Young may be permitted to put a stone in front of each of the steps to his portico, and the pillars of the same are foot thick & two feet high and rounded at the top similar to those near City Hall; — Provided, no complaint is made against said stone for incumbering the foot path, said stone may be allowed there to remain; but if otherwise complaints are made by respectable citizens and persisted in, then said Young shall remove the same at his own expense.

Young — Oliver St.

For the committee. Henry Farnam

Read and accepted.

The second committee of the middle district to whom was referred the petition of — Abbey Salisbury, praying for payment for the land belonging to her taken by the board to widen Washington street — Report, That they have had several interviews with Mr. Jappan the agent of the petitioner and various other persons who had a full knowledge of the location and particular circumstances of said lot of land and who where esteemed judges of its value & damage sustained by the petitioner and after as full & thorough an investigation as they were capable of bestowing on the subject hereby recommend that said petitioner be allowed and paid by the way of compensation, and to prevent any further litigation or vexatious law suits the sum of five hundred & twenty five

Salisbury — Washington St.

five dollars, in full settlement for the above claim; that being at the rate of seven dollars per foot found, there having been taken seventy five feet, for the purpose aforesaid. —

For the committee. Henry Farnam.

Read and accepted.

Loring deed of streets.

Communication of Ellis Gray Loring, inclosing for examination and acceptance, a deed between the City and the owners of the south end flats. Read and committed to the Mayor, Alderman Farnam and Harris, to consider and report. —

Loring Front street.

The committee on the petition of Ellis Gray Loring, praying, that further time be given for the removal of the part of the stone yard occupied by Gay & Dickenson which projects into Front street — Reported, that the prayer of said petition may be granted without detriment to the public interest and convenience, and therefore report, that the order of the board on the subject be further suspended until the 1st day of November ensuing.

Read and accepted.

Grove street.

Ordered, that the Superintendent of streets be directed under the instructions of the committee of the western district to graduate the southerly end of Grove street, so as to conform to the northerly end thereof. And that the proprietors of the land bounding on the premises be notified of this order.

Hancock — Beacon st.

Petition of John Hancock, and others, and order of notice from the Court of Common Pleas, demanding damages and pay for their land, which was taken in the year 1813, to widen Beacon street. Read & referred to the City Solicitor with instructions to defend the same, in behalf of the City.

Petition of the trustees of the com- Winnisimet
pany who are about running Steam boats between the City & ferry.
Chelsea; praying, that the fish box which now obstructs the
landing at the bottom of Hanover street should be removed.
Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary,
to consider and report.

The board proceeded to examine Representatives.
the returns of votes from the several wards for seven Representa-
tives to complete the number sixty, that being the number a-
greed upon by the City Council, and found them to be as
stated in the book of Records kept for that purpose, and that
Mess^rs William T. Eliot, Joseph T. Buckingham, George Jackson,
Redford Webster, David L. Child, Henry Farnam & Winslow
Wright, had a majority of votes & were duly elected.

Ordered, that the returns be made
out and signed, and notice to be sent to the several persons
elected to be delivered by a Constable according to law.

The board proceeded by ballot on its House of Industry
part to elect nine Directors of the House of Industry, and the votes Directors chosen.
being taken, it appeared that Richards Child, Moses Grant, Jun^r
L. Cleveland, Samuel Snelling, 2nd Joseph Lewis, Benjamin
Willis, Richard B. Callender, and Calvin Tilden were chosen,
in concurrence with the Common Council.

The board proceeded, by ballot to Auditor of acc^ts.
elect an Auditor of accounts, and the votes being taken, elected.
it appeared that William Hayden, Junior, Esquire, was
unanimously chosen, in concurrence with the Common Council.

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Petition of Hilliard, Gray & Co. for

Hilliard, Gray & Co. leave to erect four iron posts on the outer edge of the side walk in front of their store on Washington street, for the purpose of attaching thereto an awning. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report.

Petition of Joseph S. Hastings, praying

Hastings. that the balance of his account amounting to two hundred and ninety two dollars and twenty cents, for lamps furnished by him, for Faneuil Hall Market house in the year 1826, may be paid. Read and committed to the committee on the market, to consider and report.

The committee on the application

Horner, West street. of Davis Horner, for leave to construct arches under the side walk in West street. Reported, that the prayer of said petition be granted, on the usual terms. Read and accepted.

The committee to whom was referred

Edwards, Merchants Row. the petition of S. S. Edwards, praying, leave to erect a lamp to be lighted with gas, and also a sign at the third story of the Franklin Coffee house in Merchants Row. Reported, that the sign be authorized under the direction of the City Marshal and that the sum of five dollars per annum be allowed from the appropriation for lighting streets, towards the support of a gas light, as prayed for, to be placed in the edge stone on the square facing Merchants Row.

The committee on the petition of John Lewis,

Lewis. to be paid for the "wharfage" of paving stones landed on Lewis's wharf, reported, that for reasons stated to them by the Superintendent of streets, the same is not due from the City, ought not to be paid.

Read & accepted.

Ordered, that the committee on the Jail and House of Correction be instructed to consider and report, whether it be expedient to adopt any, and if any what measures for the disposal, arrangement, occupancy & improvement of the buildings and other estate belonging to the County in Leverett street, and now used as a House of Correction; Also to consider and report if any alteration ought to be adopted in the government and dieting of the persons committed to said House. Jail & H. Correction. County land, Leverett st.

The annual report of the Directors of the House of Reformation. Also the annual report of the Directors of the House of Industry. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver, Rufell and Bent, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs. Flint, Bartlett, Bailey and Robinson. House of Reform^n. & H. of Correction.

Petition of Henry B. Wilson, that a License be granted to the Amphitheatre, Flagg alley. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam & Harris, to consider and report. Wilson. amphitheatre. Flagg alley.

Remonstrance of John French & others, against the petition of Edward Tuckerman and others, praying leave to open the common sewer in Castle street. Read & with said petition committed to Aldermen Rufell & Bent, to consider and report. French. Tuckerman. Castle st.

The committee on the petition of Henry B. Rogers, & others, for leave to open the common sewer in Leverett street reported, that an order of notice be issued in the usual form. Read & accepted. Rogers. Leverett st.

Adjourned to Monday, next, four o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the twenty third day of May, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Doolittle
Elep. & Rhin.

Petition of Lucius Doolittle, and others, praying leave to exhibit in a booth on the Common on election day, and Elephant and Rhinoseros. Read and thereupon ordered, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Gray
Eleph. & Rhin.

Petition of Richard Gray, praying to be licensed to exhibit an Elephant, Rhinoseros &c. at a building in the rear of the Lion Tavern. Read and the prayer thereof granted, on paying therefor, the sum of four dollars per month.

Rufsell
Tremont Theatre.

Petition of Richard Rufsell, for a renewal of the license of the Tremont Theatre. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report.

Lewis
Milton St.

Petition of Seth Lewis, and others, to open a common sewer in Milton street. Read and thereupon ordered, that all persons interested be notified to appear before this board on Monday next, four o'clock, P.M. and shew cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

Burial grounds
Sup. chosen.

The board proceeded by ballot to the choice of a Superintendent of burial grounds and cemeteries, & the votes being taken, it appeared that Samuel D. Bowes was unanimously chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

The Reverend John Gorham Palfrey was nominated and unanimously appointed to pronounce the annual oration on the fourth day of July next. — Orator 4th July.

Ordered, That Aldermen Russell, Oliver and Armstrong, with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee to consider and report what measures, if any, it may be expedient and proper for the City authorities to take in regard to the celebration of American Independence: Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs. Eveleth, Hastings, Stevens and Gould. — Independence.

Petition of N.A. Thompson, in behalf of the Young men of Boston, requesting information whether the City authorities wish to occupy the area or lower floor of the State house, for the purpose of forming a procession, if they do not, the Petitioners are desirous to form a procession at that place. Read and committed to Aldermen Russell, Oliver & Armstrong with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs. Eveleth, Hastings, Stevens and Gould. — Thompson.

Petition of James E. Bishop, praying, that he may have liberty to occupy the stand on the northerly side of Faneuil Hall, for the sale of sundry articles of merchandize such as books, pamphlets, hats, caps &c. — Read & committed to the committee on the market, to consider and report. — Bishop.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Ald. Oliver & Russell be a com.ee with full power, to lease the store which is now vacant under Faneuil Hall. — Faneuil Hall stores.

114.

Shattuck Cambridge St.

Petition of George C. Shattuck, requesting, that his claim for damages in taking his land to widen Cambridge street may be speedily and amicably adjusted. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Mayor's message Wooden buildings

Order of the Common Council committing the message of the Mayor recommending the City Council's petitioning the Legislature, for the purpose of procuring a law regulating the erection of wooden buildings — to Mess?rs Everett, Rayner, and Bigelow, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen McCleary and Harris are joined.

Wilson Amphitheatre.

The committee on the petition of H. B. Wilson, to be licensed to exhibit at the Amphitheatre Flagg alley, reported, that a license be granted for one month, on the same terms and conditions as that granted to Mr. Smith the former tenant of the premises. Read and accepted.

Hilliard, Gray & Co. Washington St.

The committee on the petition of Hilliard, Gray & Co. for leave to erect iron posts for an awning in Washington street — reported, that permission be granted for the petitioners to insert iron posts in the edge stones, under the direction and control of the committee of the district; but if said posts shall be found to annoy the passengers in said street, they shall be removed at their expense.

For the com?ee Henry Farnam

Read and accepted.

The committee to whom was refer- Myrtle St.
red the petition of sundry persons, to be remunerated for damage occasioned by reducing the level of Myrtle Street — Report, the following order, viz.: Ordered, That there be paid to Barnabas Whitney, one hundred & thirty three dollars, and fifty nine cents; To Mary L. Prouty, one hundred, ninety five dollars & seventy one cts. To Calvin Page, one hundred & thirty two dollars & sixty eight cents. To Ezra Lincoln, fifty eight dollars and sixty three cents. To William Hayden, Jr. one hundred eight dollars & eighteen cents. To Catharine M. Osborn, one hundred dollars. To John Greenwood, one hundred, fourteen dollars and twenty three cents. To Agnes Prince and David A. Simmons, one hundred, seventeen dollars and thirty three cents; — Provided, the said persons agree to receive the above sums respectively, in full of all demands upon the City, on account of the premises. Read and accepted, and the order passed.

Report of arbitrators appointed to Whitney
settle the line between the City and Col.o Jonathan Whitney, Commercial St.
on Commercial Street, Read and accepted, and thereupon Ordered, That the Mayor be authorized to execute a deed of release in pursuance of said award. —

Ordered, That the cession made Tuckerman
by Edward Tuckerman, and others, by their deed dated 4th. Streets
April, 1831, of certain parts of the flats and lands, by them Neck lands
owned in common, according to a plan thereto annexed to the City of Boston, which are intended to be used as public streets, whenever in the opinion of the Surveyors of highways, the public safety and convenience may require said streets to be formed and finished; and not before, shall be accepted in lieu of the cession of certain other flats and lands, which were

ceded to the City, for the same purposes by a deed dated the fifteenth of November, in the year, 1825; Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to oblige the City to incur any expense whatsoever in relation to said Streets, until the constituted authorities of the City shall be ready of their own pleasure and discretion to improve the same; and provided also, that nothing in this order shall be construed to affect or impair the right of the City hereafter to widen said streets, according to law, when the public safety & convenience may require the same to be done. And the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and deliver said deed in behalf of the City.

Cutler
Doane & Kilby Streets.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Pliny Cutler, representing the store now building at the corner of Doane and Kilby streets, and owned by Elisha Parks, to be unsafe and dangerous and praying immediate attention to the same — Report, That having carefully examined said store, particularly the part of it, which is considered dangerous, they were of opinion that it was in every respect secure, and did not require the interposition of any authority to stop its progress. Under the circumstances of the case however, the Committee thought it advisable to obtain the opinion of intelligent mechanics, and therefore requested Messrs. Charles Wells, John P. Thorndike and Joseph Jenkins to survey the building in question. The judgment of these gentlemen which accompanies this report coincides with that of the committee, and will no doubt be satisfactory to all parties concerned. Though your committee pursued this course in compliance with the direction of the board, and from regard to the wishes of highly respectable citizens, they entertained doubts about the authority of the board to interfere in cases of this kind. Having such doubts, they think the

present a proper occasion to institute an inquiry, for the purpose of ascertaining the principles & defining the power by which the proceedings of the board shall be hereafter governed on similar complaints — The adoption of the following order is therefore recommend. Ordered, that the City Solicitor be directed to express an opinion whether the board of Aldermen have the power, either by statute or usage to stop the erection of a building against which complaints may be made; but which does not violate the law, and if the board posess such a power, what are its limits and how to be exercised. ?—

For the committee Henry Farnam.

Read and accepted, and the order passed.

Clinton Street.

Ordered, That the Commissioner on the sale of public lands be authorized to make sale of the lot of land on Clinton Street to Simeon Palmer upon the same terms as it was heretofore offered; provided he elects to accept the same before the meeting of this board on Monday next.—

Winslow Fulton St.

The Commissioner for the sale of public lands states, Mr. Winslow the stone cutter is desirous of placing his shops on a vacant piece of land on Fulton street, and offers thirty five dollars per annum. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider & report.

Claflin Dorne St.

Ordered, that Alderman Armstrong be authorized to settle with James S. Claflin whose building is now on land belonging to the City near Dorne street, which land is required for the use of the Bowdoin School house.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the thirtieth day of May, Anno Domini, 1831. —

Present. —

The whole board of Aldermen. —

Chairman pro tem.

The Mayor being absent the board proceeded to elect by ballot a Chairman pro tempore; and the votes being taken, it appeared that Alderman Oliver was chosen.

Land Com.rs Baldwin.

Communication from the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, inclosing a proposition of Aaron Baldwin to purchase a piece of land, containing fifteen thousand square feet, in the rear of Washington Street, on the westerly side thereof. Read and committed to Aldermen Russell & Bent, to consider and report.

Land Com.rs Tremont St

Communication from the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, praying that he may be authorized to contract Tremont street, from the northerly bounds of the City lands southerly to Dedham street, a distance of about thirteen hundred feet, or such part thereof as may be deemed expedient. Read and committed to Aldermen Russell and Bent, to consider and report. —

Kimball Salem St

Claim of Benjamin Kimball, to be remunerated for land taken from his estate to widen Salem street. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report. —

Codman Camera Obscura

Application of John Codman to be licensed to exhibit on the Common on the several holydays, a Camera Obscura. Read and the prayer thereof granted.

Petition of William Barry, praying, that referees may be appointed to determine his demand against the City, for his damage in removing from the Old State house. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam, and Harris, to consider and report. Barry

Petition of Elisha Vose & others, for a reduction of the price of pasturing Cows on the Neck lands. Read and committed to Aldermen Rupell and Bent to consider and report. Vose Cows.

Ordered, that Aldermen Rupell & Bent be added to the committee on the petition of Winslow Lewis, for the removal of the Gun house from Charles street, near the Western Avenue; and that said committee have full power to locate the place where said gun house shall stand. Lewis. Gun house.

Ordered, that a message be sent to the Common Council, proposing a Convention of the City Council on Thursday evening next, at eight o'Clock, for the purpose of electing a City and County Treasurer. Convention. Treasurer.

Application of Ancient & Honorable Artillery company, for the use of Faneuil Hall, on Monday next, tables, benches &c. for their annual dinner. And that the usual number of peace officers be assigned to attend the procession and that a portion of the Common be set off, for the use of their company. Read and the prayer thereof granted. Anc. & Hon. Art. Co.

The committee on the application of Richard Rupell, for a renewal of the Tremont Theatre license Reported, that said Theatre be licensed for two months, from the sixth instant, upon payment therefor of one hundred and twenty five dollars.

Read and accepted. Rupell Tremont Theatre License.

Williams New street.

Petition of John D. Williams, & others, to have a street laid out from Ann street to Hanover street, over land formerly the Mill Creek. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report. —

Crisp Ann Court St.

Petition of A. Crisp, for a new common sewer in Ann Court street. Read and thereupon ordered, that an order of notice be published, in the usual form for all persons interested to appear before this board, on Tuesday next, 9 o'clock, P. M. and object to the same, if they see cause.

Land Com: Winslow. Fulton St.

The committee on the communication of the Land Commissioner, on Mr. Winslow's proposal to hire land on Fulton street, reported in favour on condition, that no pail either of the passage ways leading from Ann Street or of the 15 feet street, be incumbered, in any way by said tenant.

Read and accepted.

Lewis Milton St.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given, on the petition of Seth Lewis, and others, to open a common sewer in Milton street; and no person appearing to object. It is thereupon ordered that said sewer be opened and relaid, and the expense thereof apoped upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

Stowell Leverett St.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given, on the petition of H. B. Stowell, to have a common sewer laid in Leverett street, and no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered, that said sewer be opened and relaid; and the expense thereof apoped upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

121.

Treadwell. Special Constables.

Petition of Daniel Treadwell, praying that two special Constables be appointed, for the purpose of keeping the peace on the Western Avenue. Read and Zachariah B. Porter and Sargent M. Davis were accordingly appointed special constables, until the further order of this board. They gave bonds and took the oath by law required.

Sargent. Washington St.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Sargent. Report, That said Sargent be permitted to erect a building, the front of which to be placed on a line with Washington street, according to a plan, drawn by S. P. Fuller, and that said Sargent be permitted to erect a temporary ten feet wooden building on a line with the buildings adjoining said premises to be used as a store, till said street is widened. —

For the Committee. Henry Farnam.

Read and accepted.

Wooden buildings.

The committee of the City Council to whom was referred the message of the Mayor, bearing date 9th of February 1831, relative to the laws regulating wooden buildings within the City. Report, That they have attended to the subject matter of said message, and after due deliberation are of opinion, that it is unnecessary to take further order thereon. Which is submitted. By order of the Committee.

John P. M. Cleary.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Medal.

Ordered, That Aldermen Rupell, Franklin and Binney, be a committee to provide a new die for the Franklin Medals.

122.

Porter
Winnisimmett Ferry

Petition of Seward Porter, for leave to run a steam boat from Winnisimmett ferry way. Read and committed to Alderman Oliver and McCleary to consider and report.

Quarantine

The committee of quarantine report, That on thursday they visited the establishment at Rainsford Island, preparatory to the commencement of the annual quarantine; that they found it in the best condition, the buildings recently used as a small pox Hospital thoroughly cleansed & purified; and that there was not a sick person on the Island. The accommodations for persons & goods liable to quarantine, are ample, & the boats in the best repair. In an official interview with the Resident Physician, it was suggested to the committee; that the public health would be better preserved, and the benefit of the health regulations extended, by an amendment of the City ordinance, directing, that the quarantine commence on the first instead of the fifteenth of June; each year, & be prolonged to the first of Oct. instead of closing on the 15th. September, as now ordered. It was also suggested, that vessels arriving from ports of the United States situated beyond the Capes of Virginia (particularly New Orleans, Key West, Mobile &c.) from which ports it is said a greater number of sick persons arrive than from the West Indies, ought to be subjected to the same examination as vessels from the West Indies, with provision that the former vessels pay only half fees, or be exempted from the payment of any fees for examination. Some of the reasons assigned for these amendments were; that vessels which arrive before the 15th June from warm climates frequently have diseased persons on board, and are not prohibited from landing them in town, and bring cargoes of hides, horns, furs, rags and damaged furs, which after being landed have been ordered to be sent to the Island for purification; thereby endangering the health of

the City, and occasioning a much greater detention, & more expense to the owners and the Public, than would be incurred by a short detention for examination.

The Committee gave due weight to these suggestions, are of opinion, that an additional Ordinance ought to be passed, making the amendments proposed.

(Respectfully submitted). (Benj: Russell for Com^e

Read, and accepted, and thereupon ordered, that the Board of Aldermen visit Rainsford Island, on Saturday next, and that the persons whose names are in a list on file be invited to accompany them.

Adjourned to Thursday next half past seven o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Thursday, the second day of June, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

Alderman Oliver, McCleary and Binney.

A quorum of the board not being assembled, the Chairman sent a message to the Common Council, to inform them thereof, and the board agreed to adjourn to Tuesday next, four o'Clock, P. M. | Quorum not assembled.

Adjourned to that time & place accordingly.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Tuesday, the seventh day of June, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and whole board of Aldermen, except Aldermen Russell and Bent.

Auditor of accounts financial concern.

The auditor of accounts annual report on the financial concerns of the City for the year, which closed on the thirtieth day of April last. Read in Common Council and thereupon ordered, that the auditor of accounts be authorized to cause six thousand five hundred copies of the annual report of the receipts and expenditures of the last financial year, and the estimates of the current year, together with a particular statement of all City property to be printed and distributed for the information of the Inhabitants.

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Fire Department.

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Prescott, Bussell, and Harris with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to inquire, if any, what further provisions by law are necessary to authorize the City to make indemnity to the members of the fire department, who may sustain any corporal injury, or contract any sickness in the discharge of their duty, on the occasion of any fire, & report what Legislative measures may be necessary. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen McCleary and Penney, are joined.

Land Com. Dedham & Suffolk St.

The Land Com.rs proposition to sell land on Dedham & Suffolk Streets. Read & com.d to Ald. Russell & Bent, to consider & report.

Whereas, there is now pending before the Legislature of this Commonwealth, a petition of Seward Porter, for a grant of a large tract of flats, lying on the easterly side of the channel, running from or near India wharf, to the Boston free bridge. Ordered, that Messrs. Everett, Parker, & Ellis, with such as the board of Aldermen may join, be a committee to appear before the committee of the Legislature, in behalf of the City, to make such representations as the interest of the City may require, and the said committee are authorized to call on the City Solicitor for his aid and assistance if necessary. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor, and Aldermen Harris are joined. 125. Porter

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Rupell and Bent, be a committee with full power, to take such measures as may by them be deemed expedient to protect the Citizens against the danger of hoping over the Boston South bridge, and if necessary to barracade the streets leading to the same. Boston South bridge

Petition of Warren White, and others, praying to have a new street opened in continuation of the one now building by the City, through the neck lands, so as to connect with Tremont street. Read and committed to Aldermen Rupell and Bent, to consider and report. White new street.

Petition of Edmund Winchester, & others, praying, that a new street may be opened to connect Cooper street and Richmond street. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report. Winchester new street.

Whitney Parrott Street.

The committee on the petition of Jonathan Whitney, and others, praying, that a street twenty feet wide leading from Ann street to the new street in the rear of Commercial street be accepted by the City, and called Parrott street -- Reported, that the prayer of said petition be granted, whenever it is put in a condition for paving, and the side walks laid. Read and accepted.

Crisp Sun Court St.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given on the petition of A. Crisp, to have a new common sewer laid in Sun Court street, and no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered, that said sewer be taken up and relaid, and the expense thereof, apposed according to law upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

Richmond St Sewer

Ordered, that all persons whose estates bound on Richmond street, between Salem street & Commercial street, and all whose drains empty into the sewer in Richmond street from Hanover street, be notified to appear before this board, on Monday next, four o'clock P.M. and show cause if any they have, why said common sewer should not be relaid, and the expense thereof apposed according to law upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

Barry

The committee on the petition of Wm. Barry, to have his claim left to referees for damage on account of removing from a store in City Hall, reported, against granting the prayer of said petition. Read & accepted.

Treasurer

Ordered, that a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a Convention of the City Council, on Thursday evening next, at eight o'clock, for the purpose of electing a City & County Treasurer.

Adjourned to Thursday next, four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Thursday, the ninth day of June, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Memorial of William Foster, for himself and his brother Charles C. Foster, offering to receive the proportion of land claimed by them east of Faneuil Hall Market according to the rule which has been settled by the Court in the case of Leonard Foster, and that record be made of the same. Read and thereupon, ordered, that the Mayor & Aldermen be and hereby are authorized to agree with William Foster and Charles Foster, to assign to them in severalty, the portion of the land and flats claimed to be owned by them as tenants in common with the City, of which land and flats a portion has been assigned by the commissioners under order of Court, to Leonard Foster, brother of said William and Charles claiming in the same right with him their purparty of said land and flats. The said portion of said William and Charles to be ascertained by reference to the assignment made by said commissioners. And upon the completion of such agreement, the Mayor is hereby authorized to give effect to the same; by releasing, by a good and sufficient deed, all right and claim of the City in & to the portion of said land and flats which shall be assigned to said William Foster and Charles Foster to be held by them, & their heirs in severalty; on condition that said William & Charles at the same time release to the City, by a good & sufficient deed, all their claim and right in and to the residue of the said land and flats. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Foster

County lands.

Order of the Common Council, directing, that the reports and other documents now on the files of the City Council, relative to the County lands, between Court and School streets, and the expediency of erecting a new Court house, for the accommodation of the Circuit, District and State Courts, be referred to a joint committee, with instructions to report on the several subjects therein specified: And Messrs Robbins, James, and Lawrence were appointed on the part of the Common Council. Came up for concurrence: Read and concurred, & the Mayor and Alderman Armstrong are appointed on the part of this board.

Keith, Hill & Babcock Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market.

The committee to whom was referred the several petitions of Robert Keith, Thomas Hill, and Abel Babcock, and others, praying, that Caleb Hayward, be removed from the office of Faneuil Hall Market; Reported, that they have considered the subject, and examined many witnesses, and after a patient hearing of the parties, they are of opinion that no sufficient cause exists, why he should be discharged, and they again recommend him to the patronage of the board for reappointment. Read, and accepted, and the said Caleb Hayward was nominated and appointed Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market, for the year ensuing.

Res. Physician

The board proceeded by ballot to elect a Resident Physician, the votes being taken, it appeared that Jerome V. C. Smith, M.D. was chosen, in concurrence with the Common Council.

Consult. Phys.ns

The board proceeded by ballot, to elect five consulting Physicians, and the votes being taken, it appeared that Doctors John C. Warren, Benjamin Shurtleff, George Hayward, John Randall & George C. Shattuck were chosen, in concurrence with the Common Council.

The board proceeded by ballot to elect a City ~~and County~~ Attorney and Solicitor. The votes being taken it appeared the Hon. John Pickering was chosen in concurrence with the Common Council. City Sol.

Benjamin Pollard, Esq. was nominated and appointed City Marshal. City Marshal

Samuel Beals and James Hendley were nominated and appointed Sealers of weights & measures. Seal. weights &.

Caleb Loring, Jnnior was nominated and appointed weigher of boats and lighters. weigher of boats &

Ordered, That Aldermen Bent, Binney & Harris be a committee to contract with some person to supply the City with oil for one year from the sixth day of July next, at which time the present contract expires. Oil

The several petitions of the following Religious societies to have the pavement taken up; and the streets macadamized around their places of meeting viz: Old South, Federal street Church, Pine street Church, Salem street Church, Essex street Church, and the first baptist Church; in order to stop the great noise occasioned by carriages passing on Sundays. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Oliver, Rupell and Bent, to consider and report. Churches to have streets mac adamized

Petition of Daniel Johnson, and others, to have a street opened from the west end of Hawkins street new street to Pitts street. Read and committed to Aldermen Tarnam & Harris, to consider and report. — Johnson

Boston South Bridge

Petition of the proprietors of the Boston South bridge, praying leave to make said bridge a solid dam, and construct mills thereon, and the order of notice thereon, from the Legislature. Read and referred to Aldermen Russell, Bent and Harris.

Vose Cows on Neck lands.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Elisha Vose and others, praying that the price of pasturage of cows on the neck lands be reduced Reported, That it is expedient to reduce the price to six dollars each per annum. Read and accepted.

White new street.

Ordered, That the petition of Warren White and others, on the subject of a new street which they pray may be opened, in a line to connect with Tremont street, be referred to the Mayor, to consult with the City Solicitor.

Land Com's new street.

The committee on the communication of the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, reported, That said Commissioner be authorized to construct the street mentioned therein, from the northerly bounds of the City lands, southerly to Dedham street. Read and accepted.

Kundle sweeping streets.

Thomas Kundle states, that he has invented a machine for sweeping streets by horse power; one man and a horse are sufficient with this machine to sweep all the streets in the City as often as may be desired, which will make a saving from two to three thousand dollars per annum. Read and committed to Aldermen McCleary, Tannan and Harris, to consider and report.

The committee of the City Council, appointed to consider the expediency of making arrangements for the due celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence, respectfully report, the following for the consideration of the Council. Independence.

First. That a City celebration of the day is expedient on monday, the fourth day of July, next, and that the Mayor be requested to invite the several City, ward, County officers, members of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial departments of the Commonwealth, the clergy of the City, such National and State officers, and public functionaries as may be in the City, such strangers of distinction, as he may think proper, and citizens generally to assemble on the lower flor of the State House, on that day, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, to reciprocate congratulations on the day, and to attend the City celebration of the anniversary.

Second. That a public procession be formed by the City Marshal, at noon, to move to such meeting houses, as the committee of arrangements shall engage, to hear the City oration, to be delivered by the Rev.d John Gorham Palfrey. After which the City Council to proceed to their respective chambers in City Hall.

Third. That there be a military escort to the procession to be composed of such corps as may volunteer their services for the occasion.

Fourth. That two of the Clergy be invited to officiate as Chaplains.

Fifth. That a musical choir be invited to perform on the occasion, and that a suitable ode be procured.

Sixth. That direction be given for the ringing of the bells, one half hour, to commence; at sunrise; & also one half hour before sunset.

Seventh. That a joint committee of arrangement &c.

appointed to carry the preceding into effect.

Eighth. That it is expedient that an appropriation of two hundred dollars be made to defray the necessary expenses of the celebration, to be placed at the disposal of said Committee. And the subjoined order is recommended to the City Council for adoption.

For the committee. B. Rupell.

Ordered, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated, to defray the expenses of the celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence, to be charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses and miscellaneous claims.

Read and accepted, and the order passed. Thereupon ordered, That the Mayor, Aldermen Rupell, Oliver and Armstrong, with such as the Common Council may join be a committee of arrangement, agreeably to said report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Messrs. Eveleth, Hastings, Stevens and Gould.

Young men Independence.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of the Young men of Boston, on the subject of the celebration of Independence, report, that they have had a conference with a committee of the Young men and have made an arrangement by which there will be no interference in the celebration. Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Barker, Washington St.

Ordered, That Aldermen Farnam & Harris, be a committee to consider and report what compensation shall be made to Benjamin Barker, for one hundred twelve & a half square feet of land taken to widen Washington street.

The joint committee of the City Council appointed under an order passed by the Common Council on the 2d instant, and concurred in by the board of Aldermen on the seventh, to inquire if any, and what further provisions, by law, are necessary, to authorize the City to make indemnity to the members of the fire department who may sustain any corporal injury or contract any sickness in the discharge of their duty, on the occasion of any fire; and what Legislative measures may be necessary — Respectfully Report, That they have attended to the subject committed to them and after mature consideration are of opinion, that it is expedient to ask for Legislative aid — in the premises, and accordingly submit herewith the form of a bill, entitled "An act further in addition to an act establishing a fire department in the City of Boston. Fire department.

By order of the Committee; John B. McCleary.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred, with an order that it be recommitted to the same committee with instructions to attend to the act reported, before the Legislature.

Read and concurred.

The committee on the petition of Seward Porter, for permission to run a steam boat at Winnisimett ferry, reported, that as the rights of the City to the ferry are under discussion, it is inexpedient until the same are determined to take any further order in the premises. Porter — Winnisimett ferry.

Read and accepted.

A message was received from the Common Council, declaring that they concur in the proposition of this board to form a convention of the City Council, in the Common Council room, for the purpose of electing a City and Comcil Treasurer. Message from Council

In Convention.

Treasurer Chosen.

Agreeably to apignment, the two branches of the City Comcil apembled in Convention, in the Common Comcil chamber, for the purpose of electing a City and County Treasurer.

Alderman McCleary, Messrs Everett and Waters were appointed a committee to collect, sort and count the votes, who reported that the whole was forty ..... 40.

Necessary for a choice, twenty one ..... 21.

William Mackay, Esquire, had thirty nine ..... 39.

and he was chosen.

The business of the Convention being accomplished, the two branches separated.

City debt Reduction.

The committee of the City Comcil on the reduction of the City debt, made a report - Read & thereupon ordered, that the Auditor of accounts be directed to cause the same to be printed in connection with the annual financial report, and to be distributed for the information of the Inhabitants.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Land Com: Dedham St.

The committee on the report of the commissioners for the sale of public lands, that he has been offered for a lot of land on Dedham Street, fifty feet front, by ninety feet deep, containing four thousand five hundred square feet - ten per cent. of the amount to be paid on delivery of the deed, & the residue in annual payments of ten per Cent. (with interest), secured by mortgage - Reported, that the offer be accepted. Read and accepted, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute deeds of the same accordingly.

The committee on the report of the commissioner for the sale of public lands, that he has been offered twenty five cents per foot for a lot of land on Suffolk Street, ~~Sixty~~ Sixty feet front, by one hundred & nine feet six inches deep, containing six thousand four hundred and ninety five square feet of land; to be paid in labour in removing earth to form streets, &c. Reported; That the offer be accepted; Read and accepted, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute a deed of the same accordingly. Land Com. Suffolk St.

Memorial of Francis B. Fay, Wm. H. Gardiner, and W. P. Gragg, trustees of certain property connected with Winnisimett ferry, and who claim to own said ferry. Winnisimett ferry.

Read and committed to the Mayor and Alderman Binney, with such as the Common Council may join, with full power to agree upon and ascertain the legal rights of the parties and to make a final settlement of the conflicting claims upon such equitable terms as may seem proper. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs Wetmore, Flint and Prescott.

Resolved, That the whole board do meet at James Bartlett's house, Salem Street, tomorrow, at half past three o'clock, P. M. Bartlett Salem St.

Caleb Hayward was nominated and appointed Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market, for the year ensuing. Clk of F. Hall Market.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the thirteenth day of June, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present_

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Municipal Court.

The Mayor communicated a letter, that he had received from the Judge of the Municipal Court, wherein he states, that inconveniences have already been experienced, during the present term of the said Court, from the excessive heat, noise & confinement to which all persons doing business in said Court are subjected, in its present location, which will compel him however reluctantly, to adjourn the consideration of several important cases of much public interest, unless the Mayor and Aldermen, in their wisdom, and in regard to the public interest, shall see fit to grant to the Court, the use of some other of the public rooms, which are unoccupied, during the continuance of the excessive heat of the season. Read and thereupon ordered, that the Judge of the Municipal Court be authorized to hold the sittings of said Court, in the room in the County Court House, lately occupied by the Common Council, for the trial of the Indictment against Frederic S. Hill, if in his opinion the public convenience requires such a measure.

Humphrey Cross street.

Application of Benjamin Humphrey, and others, for leave to dig a well in Cross street, enter and maintain such suction pipes therein, as they may deem expedient for themselves respectively, and their representatives & assigns, and that said well may be considered the property of the petitioners, they paying all the expense of making the same, and keeping the same in repair. Read, and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report.

Petition of Silas D. Tarbell, to be remunerated for the damage which he has sustained in taking his land to widen McLean Street. Read and committed to Ald. Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report. 137. Tarbell McLean St.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given, for all persons interested in the common sewer in Richmond street, to appear and object to the same, if they see fit. And now Messrs William Parmenter, Chas. S. Lincoln and others appear and object to being assessed for the same. Richmond street.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Johnson, and others, to have a Street opened from Hawkins to Wills-streets - Reported, that at present the public convenience does not require the laying out said St. sufficient to justify the expense thereof. Read and accepted. Johnson new street.

The committee to whom was referred the application of Benjamin Barker, of Pembroke, for damage sustained by him, in taking a strip of his land to widen Washington street, Reported, that they had two meetings with him, but found his views of the damage so great that they could not agree; the committee therefore recommend that the Mayor be requested, to write said Barker, desiring him to name the lowest price that he is disposed to take for said land; & if in his answer he names a price that is considered unjust & not satisfactory to the board, that he be left to his remedy by law. Read and accepted. Barker Washington St.

Remonstrance of Caleb Loring, & others, ag.st reducing the level of Somerset Street. Read & committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report. Loring Somerset St.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Wednesday, the 15th day of June, Anno Domini, 1832.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen

City Wharf.

Order of the Common Council, directing that Messrs. Everett and Walcott, be added to the committee who have in charge the leasing of the City wharf, and that said committee have full power to lease the same on such terms, and conditions as they may deem for the interest of the City :- Provided, two thirds of said committee concur therein. Came up for concurrence.

Read & nonconcurred.

Faneuil Hall Market Cellars.

The Clerk of the Market's communication, stating, that several of the floors of the cellars in Faneuil Hall Market house, have been covered with water to the depth of two or three inches. Read and committed to the committee on public buildings, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

County Land.

Order of the Common Council, authorizing the committee on the subject of the County land and Court houses, to negociate with the Judges of the United States Court, for this Circuit and District, for the purpose of providing them with temporary accommodations, till a permanent arrangement can be made.

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Boyle's Washington St

Remonstrance of Elizabeth Boyle & others, against taking down their buildings to widen Washington street near Bromfield street. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report

The committee on the petition of 139
Benjamin Humphrey and others, to dig a well in Cross street, Humphrey
and take suctions from the same — Report, that the prayer Cross st.
of the petitioners be granted on the same conditions as were
applied in the case of Robert Barber and others in a
well in said street, June 11. 1825 Reference thereto being had
will more fully appear. In behalf of the committee.
H. J. Oliver.
Read and accepted.

The Commissioner for the sale Land Comr.
of public Lands, reports, that he has received an offer for a Dedham st
lot of land on Dedham street. Read and committed to Ald.
Russell and Bent, to consider and report.

The Commissioner for the sale Land Comr
of public Lands reports that he has received an offer for a
lot of land on a new street next south of Dedham street.
Read and committed to Aldermen Russell and Bent to
consider and report.

Petition of the owners committee Roxbury Brookline
& numerous citizens of Roxbury, Brookline, Brighton, Newton & Hunton Boston
Boston, praying that the street long contemplated to be made Tremont st.
to lead from Roxbury to connect with Tremont street near the
house of the Misses Byles may be opened so far as respects y.
title. Read and committed to Aldermen Russell and Bent
to consider and report.

Ordered, That the Engineers of the fire depart. Engine No 10
be requested to investigate & report to this board such facts as it may be in their pow.
to ascertain in respect to the fire which took place at Engine house No 10.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'Clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the twentieth day of June, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present—

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Richmond St.

Ordered, that the common sewer in Richmond street be taken up and relaid under the Superintendence of the Superintendent of Streets.

Whitney

On the petition of Jonathan Whitney for leave to carry a suction pipe from his well south of Second street, or as stiled in the petition Fulton street, across said street to other land of the petitioner, on which he has erected a commodious stable— Reported, that leave be and hereby is granted, on condition that the petitioner lead said water by a leaden pipe; and that the work be done under the direction of the Superintendent of streets and save the City harmless from any actions hereafter, in consequence of the permission hereby given.

Read and accepted.

Independence add.l app.n

Order of the Common Council, directing that the sum of two hundred dollars be added to the appropriation already made for the celebration of American Independence and that the same be withdrawn from the fund for incidental expense and miscellaneous claims. Came up for concurrence.

Read & concurred.

Mead. Union st. Tufts Distil. house.

Petition of George W. Mead, and others, praying, that measures may be immediately taken to remove the nuisance, which now exists arising from the stench caused by the filth in the cisterns of the Distil house, belonging to Mess.rs Tufts, on Union street, which house was consumed by fire. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, with full

power to cause the remains of the walls of the Distil house, 1.11.
in Union street, to be removed, and the cisterns filled up.

Several of the owners and tenants of Washington estates on Washington street, near Bromfield street appeared be- street.
fore the board, and moved for further time for the purpose of endeavouring to make arrangements among themselves for building up the fronts of their buildings, when the same shall be cut off, for the purpose of widening Washington street. Thereupon ordered, that the same be postponed to monday, next, four o'clock, P. M. for the purpose of the committee agreeing with the parties interested, on the subject of rebuilding their several places of business.

Adjourned to friday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Friday, the twenty fourth day of June, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen; except Alderman Binney.

Barry

Order of the Common Council, committing the petition of William Barry, proposing to refer his claim for damages in having been obliged to remove from the Old State house to Mess.rs Haskell, Amee and Pierce, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and Concurred, & Aldermen Farnam and Harris are joined.

Land Com.r
New Streets to naming.

Communication from the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, recommending that the fourteen new streets, which have been laid out on the Neck lands, be named. Read and committed to Aldermen Rufell and Bent, to consider and report.

Fisk.
Mahogany Ornamental wood.

Petition of William Fisk, praying, that an alteration in the existing ordinance of the City, relative to the admeasurement of Mahogany and ornimental wood. Read and committed in Common Council to Mess.rs Leighton, Ellis & Stevens, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, & Aldermen Bent and Binney are joined.

Funeral undertaker.

Jonathan Atherton nominated & appointed a funeral undertaker.

Petition of the poor debtors in Boston Jail, praying for the privilege of the passage between the cells, for the purpose of walking therein and procuring fresh air. Read & committed to the committee on the Jail, &c. to consider and report. — Poor debtors.

Resolve of the Legislature appropriating a sum of money not exceeding seven thousand dollars, for the erection of a small pox hospital on Rainsford Island. Read and committed to the committee on quarantine, to report a plan and estimates. — Hospital on Rainsford Island.

On the petition of Edmund Winchester, and others, for a new street to lead from Cooper to Salem streets. Resolved, That the public safety and convenience require that a new street be opened from Cooper street to Salem street forty feet wide, provided that the expense to the City shall not exceed three thousand dollars. And that the same be referred to Ald. Oliver and McCleary, to negociate with the petitioners for the purpose of ascertaining whether the same can be carried into effect, and report to this board. — Winchester New street.

The committee on the subject of the contemplated new street from a point in Tremont street to connect with a road now making by Henry A. S. Dearborn and others, from a point near Carleton's manufactory in Roxbury, made a report, which was read and recommitted, and that the Mayor be added, with instructions to obtain estimates of the probable expense to the City. — Dearborn new street.

Application of W. B. Wilson, in behalf of Mr. Goodenow, to have the license of the Amphitheatre Flagg alley renewed. Read and granted, upon the same terms as was heretofore granted to said Wilson. — Wilson Amphitheatre.

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Starbuck Arch under Devonshire St.

The committee appointed to consider the petition of Charles L. Starbuck — Report, that the petitioner have leave to construct an arch as prayed for; but under the direction and control of the board of Aldermen, and on condition that he shall always keep that part of the street under which the arch may pass, in good repair; and that said arch shall be stopped, or entirely removed, whenever said board shall so order, at the expense of said Starbuck, or his heirs, and assigns. For the committee. Henry Tarnam.

Read and accepted. —

Rudle — Sheets machine to sweep.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Rundle, respecting a machine for sweeping streets, report. That they have examined a model of said machine that the same being on a small scale; they were unable to judge fully of its utility — they however think rather favorably of it and suppose that it might be made, with some alterations, to answer the purpose for which it is intended; but as said machine has never been built on any large scale & put to practical use, and the price of one thousand dollars, being asked for one, for the use of the city, which your committee consider too high — they are of opinion, that it is not advisable to engage one at present and therefore ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject. By order of the Committee.

John B. McCleary.

Read & accepted.

Hook & Ladder house.

Ordered, that the committee on the fire department be instructed to treat with William Sowering, Junior, for the rent of a building, at the head of Federal street; provided, the same can be had, for a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars per annum; the same to be used for a hook and ladder company.

(7) Petition of Phinehas Upham; praying, that a new common sewer be laid in Pinckney Street, so as to join the common sewer in West Centre street, and apportion the expenses on all the parties who may be benefitted thereby. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report. 145. Upham, Pinckney St.

(8) The Mayor read a letter from Benjamin Barker, of Pembroke respecting his land taken to widen Washington street near Summer street. Thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be requested to write an answer to the same and offer him five dollars per foot, for his land. Barker, Washington St.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Rupell and Bent, be a committee to take such measures as may be deemed expedient, respecting a trespass on the Boston Free Bridge alleged to have been committed by William Wright. Free-bridge, Wright.

Adjourned to nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, on Saturday, the twenty fifth day of June, Anno Domini, 1832. –

Present –

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Bent and Binney.

Charles street –

Ordered, that the operations now going on, in Charles street, be suspended, and that a committee be appointed by ballot, to consider and report, in what manner the work in that street shall be executed. The board proceeded by ballot to elect said committee, and the votes being taken, it appeared, that the Mayor, Aldermen Oliver and Harris – were chosen.

Land Com^rs Dedham St.

The committee on the report of the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, that twenty five cents per foot has been offered for two lots of land on Dedham street, and Suffolk street, containing six thousand feet each; to be paid for by removing earth from the receiving basin to the northerly end of Suffolk street, a distance of upwards of fourteen hundred feet, under the direction, and to the acceptance of the Land Commissioner, at two dollars and fifty cents per square – Reported, that the same be accepted, and that the Mayor execute a deed of the same accordingly.

Land Com^rs Dedham St

The committee on the report of the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, that ten cents, per foot, has been offered, for a lot of land on Dedham street, thirty feet front, by ninety feet deep. Ten per cent: to be paid on delivery of the deed, and the residue in annual payments

of ten per cent with interest secured by mortgage. Also ten cents 1847.
per foot is offered for a lot of land twenty five feet front by
ninety feet deep, adjoining the blacksmiths shop on the new
street next south of Dedham Street, upon the same conditions
as the last described piece. Resolved, that the same be
accepted, and that the Mayor execute a deed of the same
accordingly.

The committee on the report of the Land Com.
Commissioner for the sale of public lands, that ten cents per Dedham St.
foot has been offered for a lot of land on Dedham Street, thirty
feet front by ninety feet deep. One third part of the amount
to be paid in Carpenters work the present season, at one dollar
and fifty cents per day, before the deed is delivered, the residue
in Cash payments of ten per cent annually, with interest secured
by mortgage. Resolved, That the same be accepted, & that
the Mayor execute a deed of the same accordingly.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Licensed
Armstrong and Farnam, be a committee to take into considera- Houses
tion and report upon the acts of the Legislature, for the due
regulation of licensed houses and respect the forms of the license
and the manner that the same shall be granted.

Ordered, that the Mayor be re- Dogs
quested to cause a communication to be inserted in the news-
papers, concerning dogs running at large.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the twenty seventh day of June (held at City Hall) Anno Domini, 1831.

Present—

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Binney.

Homes

Petition of Barzillai Homes, praying, that the City would take back a tomb which he purchased some years since in the burial grounds at South Boston. Read and committed to the committee on burial grounds & cemeteries, to consider & report.

Gun House

The committee appointed on the thirty first day of May, respecting the removal of the Gun House— Report that the following order passed the board of Aldermen, May, 2d. ordered, that Alderman Armstrong and Binney, be a committee with full power to cause the removal of the Gun house on Charles street near the Western Avenue, from its present location; provided, that one half of the expense, at least, be paid by private subscription, and provided, that the City shall not pay more than, two hundred and twenty five dollars— That this committee went upon the ground, and found that the Mayor had directed the Gun House to be placed, on the spot where it now is, presuming as he alleges, that the order of the board of Aldermen was sufficient for that purpose, the ground necessary for that object having been raised, and that he ~~was~~ consulted the Artillery company as to its location, & although this direction of the Mayor was not within the letter of the order, yet it is stated by him to have been conceived as within the meaning of it, & done to save trouble to the committee, They report, that the Gun house remain in its present location, until the further order of this board. Read and accepted.

Baldwin

The committee to whom was referred the proposal of Aaron Baldwin, to purchase a piece of land bounded northerly on Northampton street, and southerly on a new street or road, as specified in a report from the Commissioner for the sale of public lands dated May 30. 1831, and a plan thereto annexed, to which special reference is hereby made — Report the following order viz: Ordered, that the Commissioner for the sale of public lands be authorized to agree with said Baldwin for the sale and conveyance to him of the above described piece of land in fee, and also for the sale & conveyance to him of a piece of flats claimed by said Baldwin, extending from the northerly line of land and flats to the receiving basin, as the same is now owned by the City, on condition as follows viz: — That said Baldwin pay to the City the sum of six hundred fifty dollars, and release to the City all claims on account of expenses by him incurred in making & repairing a certain road, by him laid out with the permission of the City government extending from Washington street to said Baldwin's mills, and also that he cause to be built upon the first mentioned piece of land, within two years from the date, two dwelling houses — And that he also release to the City all claims of every kind to the said road, excepting the right to use the same as a way to his said Mills. —

M. G. Otis, per order.

Read & not accepted.

Licenses.

The committee to whom was referred the subject of licenses under the late act of this Commonwealth Report the following order — Ordered, that this board do adjudge it to be for the public good — That all persons who were licensed the last year as Innholders, victuallers, retailers and confectioners and against whom no complaint has been made, may be regarded as sufficient moral character to justify their being

being licensed the present year, until the contrary appears; provided they apply for the same to this board, and specify the license which they may elect under the said act. They also report the following as the form of report to be adopted by the respective district committees - viz: "The committee report that the petitioner being to the best of our knowledge & belief a person of good moral character, it is for the public good, that he be permitted to have a license." J.B. for the committee.

M. G. Otis, per order.

Read and recommitted; and that an order of notice be published to all persons who have been licensed, and others who wish to be licensed as Innholders, Victuallers, Retailers and Confectioners to make applications to be licensed as aforesaid, under the late act of the Commonwealth, entitled "An act in addition to the several acts for the due regulation of licensed houses" and to state what kind of license as specified in said act they wish to obtain.

Brooks & Spond Swift

It having been represented to this board, that Thomas Brooks, of Boston Currier, does by excessive drinking & idleness so waste his estate as thereby to expose himself & his family to want & suffering circumstances, and the City to a charge for his and their maintenance and support. After a full hearing and the examination of divers credible witnesses, and mature deliberation thereon - Ordered, that a complaint be made to the Judge of Probate, in order that a Guardian be appointed to him according to law.

Grove Street

Ordered, that Aldermen Armstrong and Harris, be a committee with full power, to take such measures, as they may deem most expedient in relation to digging down Grove Street, for the security of the houses, and other buildings on said Street.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Phinehas Upham, praying that a new common sewer be laid in Pinckney street, to join the common sewer in West Centre street, reported, that the same be laid on the usual conditions under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets. Read and accepted. Upham. Pinckney St.

The committee on the subject of burial grounds, to whom was referred the several petitions of the Revd. Wm. Motte's society; of the fourth Baptist society, &c. the wardens and vestry of St. Matthew's chapel, praying leave to construct tombs under their respective places of public worship. Reported against granting the same. Read and accepted. Tombs.

The committee to whom was referred a communication from the proprietors of land in Roxbury, stating their intention to lay out a certain street through their premises to another street laid out through the City lands, named, or intended to be named Tremont street, made a report, which was read and thereupon ordered, that public notice be given to all persons interested, to appear before this board on Tuesday next, four o'Clock P. M. and shew cause, if any they have, why said street should not be laid out, conformably to said report. Tremont street.

The committee appointed to examine Charles street, and report thereon, made a report, which was read and accepted and thereupon ordered, that the same be referred to Aldermen Kupell & Bent, with instructions to cause the lines and levels to be taken. Charles street.

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Atkins
High St.

Petition of Benjamin Atkins, praying, that the common sewer in High street, near Summer street, may be now laid, and the expense thereof apeped according to law. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam & Harris, to consider and report.

Wards
new division.

Order of the Common Council, appointing Messrs. Stevens, Waters, Eveleth, Minns and Tremere with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee, with full authority to divide the City into twelve equal wards, according to the provisions of the second section of the City Charter, taking the recent census of the Inhabitants thereof, by authority of the United States, as their guide. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred; and Aldermen Oliver, Armstrong, Rupell, and Farnam are joined.

Bordman's
blacksmith's
shop.

The committee of the fire department represent, that a blacksmith's shop occupied by John Tuttle, on the estate of William Bordman, situated near Hanover street, is in a dangerous situation; the furnace in the same for heating wheel tires being cracked in sundry places and the chimney too is too near the roof. Thereupon ordered, that said Bordman be directed to discontinue the use of said furnace and build a new one for the purpose; if he shall require one, of sufficient thickness to protect the shop against fire; and the chimney to the same to be carried up six feet above the ridge pole of the shop. The whole to be done under the directions and to the acceptance of the committee of the fire department. Read and accepted, and the order passed.

Adjourned to tuesday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the fourth day of July, Anno Domini, 1831.,

Present.—

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Ordered, That the Mayor & Aldermen be a committee to present the thanks of the City Council, to the Reverend Professor Palfrey, for the eloquent, patriotic and very appropriate oration, this day delivered by him, and to request a copy thereof for the press. Orator

Ordered, That the Mayor and Aldermen be authorized and requested to appoint a suitable person to deliver an oration on the next anniversary of American Independence, wherein shall be considered the "principles, manners and principles" which led to that auspicious event. Paper in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and that the Mayor be requested to communicate the same to the orator.

Adjourned to four o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Tuesday, the fifth day of July, Anno Domini, 1831. —

Present —

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

New Street Fremont

Agreeably to notice directed to be given at the last meeting, for all persons interested to appear before this board, at this time and shew cause, if any they have, why a new street should not be laid out from Fremont street to another street laid out through the City lands to connect with another leading from Roxbury. And now several persons appear, and object to the same, and after a full hearing the vote of the committee was recommitted. —

Washington street.

Ordered, that Aldermen Armstrong & Binney, be a committee, with full powers to agree with all or either of the owners, lessees, or other proprietors of land taken to widen Washington street, pursuant to a resolve passed this board on the ninth day of May last, and an order passed this board, on the fifteenth day of June last, upon the amount to be paid them, or either of them, in full compensation for damages, in taking said land, and by them otherwise claimed, in virtue of said resolve and order; and that said committee be also authorized, to take down the buildings, or parts of buildings, on the land so taken, and to rebuild or replace the walls of any such buildings, in such mode as they may agree with the respective owners, lessees or other proprietors the expense of such replacing or rebuilding to be deducted from any damages which may be legally adjudged due to such ~~proprietors~~ owners, lessees or other proprietors.

The committee to whom was referred the subject of the repairs of Charles street, report, That in their opinion, it is expedient to change in some respects the plan commenced for the above repairs, and that the same may be done without material inconvenience; the amount of the work necessary to be removed not exceeding one hundred dollars. That the edge stone and gutters be taken up; and the street be graduated according to a plan of Mr. Fuller herewith presented; and the dirt be removed so as to conform to said plan. That the gutters be laid without edge stone, and that a flag stone walk be laid on the west side of the street.

Charles street.

The committee also report, that it is expedient to remove the line of posts and rails running parallel with Charles street, on the inside of the Mall, and that there be placed on the west side of the street. For the committee.

B. Rafell.

Read and accepted.

Petition of Livermore and Kendall to hire a wing of the Hall, in the Market house, for six months, or longer time, for the purpose of storing wool. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report.

Livermore & Kendall. Market Hall.

Petition of the New England society, for the use of the Halls, in the Market house, during the month of August, for a public sale of domestic productions, &c. manufactures. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam & Harris, to consider and report.

New England Soc.

Adjourned to eleven o'clock to-morrow morning.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Wednesday, the sixth day of July, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Oil contract.

The committee authorized by the order of this board, to contract with some person to supply the City with oil for one year, from the sixth day of July instant; — Report, that after due enquiry, they have been satisfied that the terms offered by J. P. Bradlee, in his note of July 2.d hereunto annexed, were the most advantageous for the City of any offer received by the committee. they have therefore contracted with the said Bradlee, for winter oil at eighty eight cents per gallon, and Summer oil at seventy two cents per gallon, for one year from the sixth day of the present month of July, which is respectfully submitted.

J. Binney, for the committee.

Read and accepted. —

Inn street Papage way.

The committee of the Northern district represent, that an ancient papage way, leading from Inn street formerly, Fish street, near to the bottom of North square; ten feet in width and leading to the sea; now Commercial street, has been fenced up near its entrance from Inn street by some person or persons to the committee unknown. The City sewer passes through this papage way, and it is important to maintain the rights of the City therein. And the committee recommend that the City Solicitor be requested to examine into the same, & report the facts in the case to the board. Read, and accepted, and ordered accordingly.

Petition of John Gordan, and others, praying that the common sewer at the foot of the North square in Ann Street, which has been cut off, in consequence of constructing Commercial street may be continued to low water mark, at the expense of the Mercantile Wharf Corporation. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary, to consider and report. Gordon Ann st.

Order of the Common Council, appointing Messrs. Everett, Lawrence, and Wales, a committee to confer with such committee as might be appointed on the part of the board of Aldermen, relative to the subject matter of difference between the two boards, on the order of the common Council appointing an addition to the committee, with full power to lease the same on such terms and conditions as they might deem for the interest of the City. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor, Aldermen Finney and Harris are appointed on the part of this Board. City Wharf Con.ce of Conf.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Silas P. Tarbell for compensation for land taken from him in McLean street — Reported, that the petitioner be allowed one dollar and twenty five cents, per foot for the same.

Read and accepted. Tarbell McLean st.

Application of Richard Gray, for a license to exhibit a living Ouran Outang, at No.ˢ 70, Tremont street — Read and granted, until the further order of this board. Gray Ouran Outang.

Petition of George Odiorne, & others, for the use of Faneuil Hall, for the afternoon of July 11th for the purpose of hearing an Oration from the Hon. Timothy Fuller.

Read & granted. Odiorne Faneuil Hall

Williams Rail way reports.

The committee of the City Council, to whom was referred the petition of Henry Williams, and others, praying "that a sufficient number of copies of Hayward's report on the rail road to Ogdensburg, with a map and profiles be printed and distributed to the voters" have considered the subject and respectfully Report, That the expense of printing six thousand five hundred copies of the report would amount to about two hundred dollars, and the same number of Maps would amount to about three hundred dollars, as these have been published, the expense may be accurately stated at the above sums. The petition contemplates the preparation and publication of a profile of the road; as this has never been published, the precise expense is not known, but from the information which your committee have procurred, they are inclined to believe the amount of cost of a sufficient number of these profiles would be equal to the cost as stated as above for the reports and those, and that the whole expense would amount to one thousand dollars, at least, with these facts the committee beg leave to submit the matter to the wisdom & decision of the City Council. For the committee.

Samuel S. Armstrong.

Read and thereupon ~~ordered~~ resolved, That it is not expedient under present circumstances to incur the expense of printing the documents referred to, in said petition. Passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

In Board Order to be laid on the table in the Common Council.

Grove Street

The committee on the subject of digging in Grove Street, Reported, That the digging has been suspended and Mr. Leitner's premises which was undermined has been secured at her own request, at the expense of the City. -

Read and accepted.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Zachariah Hicks, and others, praying, that the projecting part of the store belonging to Ebenezer Breed, Esq. in Dock square, should at an early day be removed. Reported, in favor of widening said street. Read and accepted & thereupon Resolved, that the public safety and convenience require; that Dock square be widened in manner following viz: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of the store on said Dock square belonging to Ebenezer Breed, Esq. and running westerly by the northerly side of said store, five feet, four inches to the southeasterly corner of the store belonging to George Bethune, Esquire, thence running southerly by a straight line twenty seven feet, six inches, more or less to the northeasterly corner of the store belonging to John G. Torrey; thence southeasterly six feet, two inches, more or less to the southerly corner of said Breed's store; thence running northerly by the present line of said Dock square, thirty two feet, six inches, more or less, to the place of beginning. Taking from said Breed one hundred and fifty nine square feet of land, as marked on a plan taken by J. P. Fuller, dated January 24. 1829. Hicks Dock square.

Ordered, that the said Breed, & the tenants in his said store be notified to appear before this board, and shew cause, if any they have, why that part of said building which stands in the said street so taken as aforesaid, shall not be removed on said first day of August next, unless the owner shall remove the same before that time.

The committee on the fire department, on the communication from the Engine company number 10, requesting an allowance to replace furniture said to have been taken away from their Engine house, Report, the following order— Ordered, that the Chief Engineer be authorized and requested to supply Engine house number ten, Engine No. 10.

with such furniture, for the use of said Company as is usually supplied to other Engine houses at the expense of the City.

H. G. Otis, Pr. order.

Read and accepted, and the order passed.

Auctioneer

Henry Robins, licensed as an Auctioneer No. 33, Central wharf.

Liverman & Kendall — Market Hall.

The committee on the application of Liverman and Kendall, to hire a wing of the Hall in the Market House made a report, which was read and recommitted, and that the committee be instructed, with full power to make an agreement with the applicants, to lease to them the whole of said Hall, reserving the Centre Hall; for a term of time not exceeding three years, after the first year, for a sum not less than two Thousand dollars, per annum.

Churches — Macadamized around

The committee appointed, on the petitions of the Old South Church and other Churches, requesting, that the streets in the vicinity of their respective Churches may be macadamized, made a report, which was read, and recommitted with instructions to the committee to report some principle upon which such societies as may be desirous to macadamize around their said Churches, at their own expense, shall have the right granted them.

Adjourned to Monday, next, four o'Clock P. M.

At a special meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Friday, the eighth day of July, Anno Domini, 1832.

Present

The Mayor. Aldermen Oliver, Armstrong, Russell, McCleary, Farnam, Bent and Harris.

James Monroe.

The Mayor informed the board, that information having been received of the death of James Monroe late President of the United States, and he having ascertained the sense of a majority of the members of the board, that the bells should be tolled, as was ordered by the board, on the decease of the late Presidents Adams & Jefferson, gave direction that the same should be done, at ten o'clock yesterday morning; and it was done accordingly. And that he had convened the board, at this time, to communicate to them officially the event; and to receive their instructions respecting such other measures as it might be thought expedient to adopt. Whereupon resolved, that this board, having received notice of the death of James Monroe, late President of the United States, which happened at New York, on the fourth day of July, instant. That the Mayor be requested to call a meeting of the common Council, on monday next, at five o'clock P. M. for the purpose of co-operating with this board in such measures as may be proper for a public demonstration of respect for the memory of this departed Patriot, Statesman, and Chief Magistrate.

Bromfield Street.

Resolved, that the public safety & convenience require, that Bromfield Street be widened; and the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner

following, viz: Beginning at the easterly corner of a brick building belonging to John Ballard, and running southeasterly through land of David L. Moseley, ninety five feet, more or less, to the line of Washington Street, as lately laid out; thence running northeasterly six inches to the present line of said Bromfield street; thence running northwesterly by said present line, ninety five feet, two inches; thence southwesterly two feet, ten inches, to the place of beginning. Taking from said Moseley, one hundred, fifty eight, seven twelfths square feet of land, as marked on a plan taken by S. P. Fuller, dated September 1st 1825.

Bromfield street

Ordered, that Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, be a committee with full power to settle with the owners, tenants and other proprietors of estates on Bromfield street, in the same way and manner as described in an order passed this board, July 5. 1831. by which said committee had full power to settle with proprietors of estates, taken to widen Washington street.

Adjourned to monday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the eleventh day of July, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Remonstrance of James T. Austin, and others against continuing Tremont street, to meet the street now making from Roxbury; but if said measure should be adopted, that said street should be macadamized, in front of their houses, Fayette place, on said Street. Read & committed to Aldermen Rufell and Bent, to consider and report. — Austin. Tremont st.

Memorial of a committee of the Boston & Roxbury Mill Corporation tendering to the City, that part of the Western Avenue, lying between Charles Street, and the line near the Toll house, as heretofore agreed on, between the City and the said Corporation; provided the City will macadamize it. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong & Binney, to consider and report. — B. & R. Mill Corporation. Western Avenue.

Aldermen Farnam and Harris were discharged at their own request from the committee on the petition of William Barry, and Alderman Oliver & McCleary were appointed in their stead; and that said committee have full power to settle with Mr. Barry. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. — Barry.

Mr. Walcott came up with a message from the Common Council, requesting that the report of the Committee on the subject of difference of opinion, between the two branches of the City Council, in relation to the care — Mesage from Com. Council.

and custody of the public buildings, and the opinion of the City Solicitor on that subject may be sent down. And the same were sent to the Common Council accordingly.

Public Buildings

Order of the Common Council recommitting the report of the joint committee of the City Council to whom was referred the message of the Mayor in relation to the custody and leasing of the public buildings.

Came up for concurrence

Read and concurred.

Pres. Monroe's death.

Ordered, that Aldermen Oliver, Russell, Binney and Harris, with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee to consider and adopt such measures as they may deem expedient, to express the sense of the eminent worth and public services of James Monroe late President of the United States, entertained by the Citizens of Boston, in common with their fellow Citizens of the United States, and of their sorrow at this bereavement, which has deprived the American Nation of one of its most ancient Patriots, and distinguished Statesmen. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, & the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs Stevens, Bigelow, James, Rayner and Wetmore.

Dearborn Tremont St.

Vide pa 169.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry A. S. Dearborn, and others, for a new street from Roxbury to Tremont street, respectfully report That the proposed street would constitute a very eligible communication between the City and Roxbury, and will no doubt in due time be completed in the mode suggested by the petitioners, but in present circumstances, the interest of the City makes it necessary to postpone

that undertaking until certain other streets shall be finished;- Meantime the Mayor and Aldermen have caused Suffolk street to be laid out sixty feet wide, from South bridge street, in the rear of Franklin School house, and three hundred feet distant therefrom, to the westerly bounds of the City lands, in the rear of Elisha Wheeler's store, and three hundred and fifty feet distant therefrom. The whole distance of which is upwards of three quarters of a mile; The construction of this street has been commenced, and two thirds of the whole distance is now nearly completed, and the residue will probably be done next Summer. This street would be for the present, a substitute in the street proposed by the petitioners, if the town of Roxbury would co operate with the City, and continue the same to the bridge near the Morocco factory, and it will also hasten the period when that street may be undertaken. It was in the full expectation that the town of Roxbury, would perceive the advantage of this co operation; that the work has been thus far prosecuted, and they recommend the following order- Ordered, that the further consideration of the petition of Henry L. Dearborn, and others, be postponed, and that the Mayor be requested to transmit to the Petitioners a copy of this report, with the expression of the respectful hope of this board that the Inhabitants of Roxbury may find it to comport with their interests to concur in the views therein expressed. For the committee. Winslow Lewis.--

The foregoing report was made the last year, and was committed to a committee this year, who made a report that the prayer of said petition be granted- Read and accepted, and thereupon resolved, That the public safety & convenience require, that a street be laid out, beginning at the easterly corner of the old mansion house of Catharine and Mary Byles in Tremont street; thence running southwesterly by the front of said house, twenty two feet, six inches; thence running southerly through land of said Byles's seventy one feet, to a point fourteen feet distant southeasterly from the north corner of the land of John L. Phillips, thence more westerly, two hundred, forty two feet, six inches,

more or less, by a straight line croping Warren street, to the easterly corner of the brick house of Gilham W. Wheeler, situated on Pleasant street; thence more westerly thirty six feet to Pleasant street, by a straight line in the direction to the easterly corner of the brick house on the westerly side of Pleasant street and northerly side of a street now called Leabot street... And the easterly line of said street to begin at a point on said Tremont street thirty nine feet six inches, from said old mansion house; thence runeing southwesterly parallel with the second above described line, and forty five feet distant therefrom, seventy five feet, four inches; thence more westerly parallel with the third described line to Pleasant street, to a point fifty three feet distant southeasterly from the intersection of the above described westerly line, and the northeasterly line of Pleasant street, excepting where the dwelling house of Jonathan Ireland projects into the easterly side of the foregoing described street, three feet eight inches, which projection is to remain until the further order of the Surveyors of highways. Taking from Catharine and Mary Byles, four thousand one hundred forty seven square feet of land; from land of John L. Phillips, seven hundred, ninety eight square feet; from land of John Myers, two thousand, five hundred square feet; from land of Otis Morton, one hundred, fifty six square feet; from land of Elizabeth Randall, two hundred, forty one square feet; from land of Richard Blanchard, two hundred, sixty seven square feet; from land of John Foster, two thousand four hundred, twelve square feet; from land of Jonathan Ireland forty eight square feet; from land of Samuel Jepson, three thousand, fifty one square feet; from land of Gilham W. Wheeler, one hundred and two thirds square feet, and a passage way from Pleasant street to Warren street, containing one thousand five hundred, sixty six square feet of land.

Resolved, That the Public safety and convenience require; That the street laid out and described in the following resolution be extended as follows viz: Beginning on the westerly side of Pleasant street, fifty feet distant southeast

erly from the easterly corner of the brick house on the westerly side of Pleasant street, and the northerly side of a street now called Cabot street; thence running westerly on a straight line one hundred and seventy feet to a point on land of Francis C. Lowell, and distant southeasterly fifty feet, from the easterly corner of the brick house on the northwest side of said Cabot street, and on the southwest side of a passage way, leading from Hayette street to said Cabot street. And the northwest line of said street to run from the southerly corner of another brick house on the northerly side of said passage way, northeasterly by the southeasterly line of the buildings as they now stand one hundred sixty six feet to Pleasant street; taking from James W. Savitt and Samuel Chaffee, nine hundred, ten & a half square feet of land; taking from land of James Phillips, three hundred and eighty six square feet; from land of James Hendley, four hundred, fifteen, and two thirds square feet; from land of Bryant Newcomb, two hundred, fifteen square feet; from land of Ephraim Marsh, one hundred and eighty nine square feet.

Resolved; That the public safety and convenience require that the street laid out and described by the foregoing resolutions be extended as follows viz: Beginning at a point on Francis C. Lowell's land, one hundred and seventy feet distant from Pleasant street; which point is described in the second resolution; thence running five hundred, fifty feet in a straight line, parallel with the southeasterly line of said Lowell's land, and forty eight feet distant therefrom; thence running by a circular line drawn by a radius of three hundred eighty feet to the southerly side of Castle street, at a point distant southeasterly one hundred and ten feet, from the boundary line of the receiving basin of the Boston and Roxbury Mill Corporation; thence running southwesterly, nine hundred, thirty five feet more or less, by a straight line parallel with the boundary line of said receiving basin, and one hundred and ten feet distant therefrom, to land belonging to the City of Boston, at a point one thousand, ninety feet from the westerly line of Washington street; thence more westerly to a point opposite the angle of the boundary line of said receiving basin, and

sixty feet distant therefrom; thence running more westerly through lands belonging to the City of Boston, by a straight line as now staked out to the boundary line between said City of Boston, and the town of Roxbury. And the northwesterly line of said street to run parallel with the southeasterly line thereof, and sixty feet distant therefrom, from said boundary line between said City of Boston, and town of Roxbury, to said angle in the boundary line of said receiving basin; thence running to a point on the north line of land belonging to said City, sixty feet distant easterly from the boundary line of said receiving basin; thence running by a line parallel with the southeasterly line of the hereby described street, and fifty feet distant therefrom to the aforesaid passage way which leads to Fayette street, according to the plans thereof taken by J. P. Fuller, dated the eleventh day of July, 1831, and certified by the City Clerk also, to which reference is had.

Provided however, That the proprietors of the land thro' which said street is hereby laid out, between the north bound any of the City land aforesaid, and said passage way leading to Fayette street, release to the City, their right to the lands by them respectively owned for the purpose of a street and fill up the same to such height and grade the same in such manner, as the Mayor and Aldermen shall require.

Provided also, That the Mayor and Aldermen receive satisfactory assurance, that the street hereby laid out & described shall be extended from the aforesaid bounding line between Boston and Roxbury to the road leading by Gay Carleton's morocco Factory in said Roxbury.

Provided nevertheless, That the City shall not be held to remove any building now standing on the land hereby laid out for a street; nor to construct that portion of said street described in the foregoing first and second resolutions until the aforesaid conditions are complied with, to the satisfaction of the Mayor and Aldermen, and within a period by them to be fixed.

Dearborn — new St. — Fremont St.

The committee of the Southern district to whom was recommitted the report on the petition of W. A. S. Dearborn and many others on the subject of a new street leading from Roxbury to the City. Report that they have directed a new survey of said proposed street from Fremont to Cabot street, forty feet wide as per plan; and have ascertained that the additional expense will not exceed one thousand dollars, making the estimated expense of the whole to be nine thousand dollars. That the committee are of opinion that the public necessity and safety require that said street from Fremont street to Cabot street be laid out forty feet wide & recommend to the board the adoption of the subjoined resolutions, embracing the entire street. The committee remark that in their opinion if a small part of the proposed line should have a prospective operation, no essential injury would be incurred by the public and that the inconvenience to two individuals abuttors would be lessened. They are also of opinion that should the said street be made forty five feet wide, the inconvenience to abuttors would not be increased, and no other additional expense incurred, than the ordinary price of the five additional feet of land. The committee further report, that having extended their inquiries as to the progress made by citizens of Roxbury, and other towns, to carry into effect the formation of the street in Roxbury, find, that their estimated expense of said street, is three thousand dollars, that two thousand four hundred & twenty eight dollars, have been subscribed, and the committee have every reason to think that the subscription will be speedily filled, and they have evidence, that all the lands through which the street will pass have been released to the petitioners, and when the board are informed, that the general committee of said corporation is composed of General W. A. S Dearborn, Nathaniel Curtis, John Heath, Jonathan Dorr, of Roxbury, Ebenezer Heath, Charles Wild, & Thomas W.

(3) This should have been recorded before the preceding resolutions vide pa. 164 & 165.

170. Sumner, of Brookline; William Jackson, of Newton, and Otis Everett, Jeremiah Fitch, and John Stevens, of Boston; that Francis Jackson, John Heath and Thomas W. Sumner; are the building committee and Nathaniel Curtis, Treasurer, they will concur with the committee in the opinion, that the enterprize will be executed with promptness and fidelity. The committee recommend the passing the subjoined resolutions to submit the enclosed Plans.

Benj: Rufsell
Adam Bent } Committee.

Read and accepted; and the resolves passed; vide pa. 164.

Lincoln, Ann St.

The committee on the notice of Noah Lincoln, of his intention of building on Ann Street, reported that a survey of the premises has been made by Mr. Fuller, and they recommended the following order — Ordered, That the public necessity & convenience require, that Ann Street be widened by cutting off one hundred and twenty three square feet from the house of the said Lincoln, as set forth on said plan, and the street is hereby widened accordingly; it being understood that the cost of the same including the land and cost of cutting off does not exceed the sum of three hundred dollars, and also including expense of sidewalk to the line of the railway Corporation. Read and accepted, and thereupon Resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that Ann street be widened and the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following viz: Beginning at the northerly corner of said Lincoln's house; thence running easterly by the north side of said house, five feet, six inches to the line of the land of the Boston Rail way Corporation extended; thence southerly by said extended line, twenty one feet, six inches; thence westerly by the southerly side of said house, six feet; thence northerly by the present line of said street

twenty one feet five inches to the place of beginning. Taking one hundred and twenty three square feet of land of s.d Lincoln, as marked on a plan taken by S. P. Fuller, dated December 1826.",

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Lincoln, and others, praying the removal of a part of a ten foot building that projects into Sudbury Street, belonging to Abraham French deceased - Reported in favor of the same. Read and accepted, and thereupon resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that Sudbury Street be widened, and the same is hereby laid out and widened, in manner following, viz: Beginning at the westerly corner of land belonging to said French's heirs; thence running southeasterly by the front of the buildings standing on said land, fourteen feet, nine inches; thence running northerly fifty four feet, eight inches to a point seven feet one inch, from the westerly corner of a house belonging to Oliver Johonnot; thence running southwesterly by the crescent line of said Street, fifteen feet, six inches; thence more southerly by said line; thirty six feet three inches, to the place of beginning. Taking from said French's heirs, four hundred seventy eight square feet of land; - And from land of said Johonnot, nine feet, as marked on a plan taken by S. P. Fuller; dated July 11. 1831. - Lincoln, Sudbury St.

The commissioner for the sale of public lands reports that he has been offered sixty two and a half cents per foot has been offered for three thousand, eight hundred and five feet, as per plan. Ten per cent. of the amount to be paid on delivery of the deed, and the residue in annual payments of ten per cent. with interest secured by mortgage, the purchaser to have the right to pay the whole amount at any previous day, after one year, at his election. Read & accepted; Land Com.r Thacher St.

172. and that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to execute a deed of the same accordingly.

Constables appointed.

The following named persons were nominated and appointed Constables of the City for the year ensuing, viz: Elisha Copeland, Jonathan Prescott, Thomas Holden, George Reed, Josiah Baldwin, Horatio Bass, Ebenezer Prescott, Elisha V. Glover, Ebenezer Shute, George Robinson, James Pierce, Asa Prouty, Mitchell Lincoln, Michael Riley, John Henry, Solomon B. Morse, William Dinsmore, Graham Lansing, Edmund Chisole, Geoge Jones, Willard Clough, Perseus Clap and John Reed.

Constable at South Boston.

Ordered, that the several applications for the appointment of a Constable at South Boston, be referred to Aldermen Rupell and Bent, to consider and report.

Auctioneers appointed.

Ordered, that the following persons be licensed as auctioneers, for one year from the first instant, they giving bonds as the Law directs viz: Ebenezer Alexander, James M. Allen, George Bond, Samuel S. Barry, James Bourguin, Timothy M. Baker, William A. Babcock, Stephen Brown, Charles C. Beaman, Henry Briggs, George G. Channing, Samuel A. Coolidge, Joseph L. Cunningham, William Dehon, Samuel G. Drake, George S. Deblois, Daniel Kinsey, Edward S. Hall, Jabez Hatch, Junior, Nicola Houghton, Elisha Haskell, Thomas K. Jones, Lorenz Newcomb, Thomas B. Park, Otis Rich, Robert Robins, John H. Schaffer, Andrew W. Schaffer, Zenas Shatton, Benjamin Seaver, Thomas K. Sewall, John Tyler, Charles Storey, Richard Warren, Samuel Whitwell, Ferdinand E. White, James Wise and Franklin Whitney.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City of Boston, on Monday, the eighteenth day of July, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor. Aldermen Oliver, McCleary, Farnam, Bent and Harris.

Petition of Aaron Turner, for leave to erect a building near the northern hay scales, for the purpose of exhibiting feats of horsemanship. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary, to consider and report. Turner.

Representation of the Jurors attending the Municipal Court, praying that said Court may be removed, and hereafter held at the Court house near School street. Read and committed to the Jail &c. to consider & report. Jurors. Municipal Courts.

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Wales, Leighton, Hatch, Crane and Robinson, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee with full power to examine the claims of the City, and of the proprietors of the Mill Pond wharf, so called, to the flats lying in front of said wharf, and of the County jail wharf, & to agree upon, settle & adjust the same, in such mode, & on such terms & conditions as they may deem most for the interest of the City. And to make, execute & deliver, such deeds, agreements or other documents, respecting the premises as they may deem proper; & also to receive any deeds, agreements or documents from said proprietors respecting the premises which may be thought proper & expedient: provided always, that two thirds at least of Mill Pond Wharf.

1774. the whole number of the joint committee shall agree in writing to the terms on which such settlement and agreement shall be made. came up for concurrence. Read & concurred, and the Mayor, Aldermen Oliver, McCleary and Harris are joined.

Dickenson North square.

Ordered, That the Mayor be authorized and requested to give a memorandum in writing to Daniel Dickenson, of Boston, blacksmith, and proprietor of an estate situated on the North square, that the City shall not, in consequence of having laid intots from his premises to convey the water from his roofs, to the reservoir, in said square, acquire any right of possession to his said property, in consequence of his granting said privilege; it being understood between him and the Superintendent of streets, that so long as his estate remains in his family, he has no wish to cut off said privilege.

Whitwell Elm st.

The committee on the notice of Samuel Whitwell's heirs intention of building on Elm street, reported, that part of their estate be taken to widen said street. Read and accepted, and thereupon resolved, That the public safety and convenience require, that said Elm street be widened, & the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following viz: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of buildings now or late belonging to Cornelius Coolidge; thence running southerly by a straight line to the southwesterly corner of the Tavern belonging to the heirs of Samuel Whitwell, deceased, occupied by J. J. Jennings; thence running westerly by the present line of said Elm street, to land belonging to the heirs of William Dall, deceased; thence running northerly by land of said Dall's heirs, about eight inches, to the place of beginning.

Petition of John Griggs, & others, praying, that Summer street, be widened by taking a part of the land, late belonging to Henry Hill, deceased: Read. Committed to Aldermen Farnum and Harris, to consider and report. Griggs Summer St.

Resolves of the Common Council, respecting the board of Aldermen having leased the Hall over Faneuil Hall Market. Read and committed to the Mayor Aldermen Swan and Binney, to consider and report. Market Hall.

Ordered, that Abner Lock, be and he is hereby appointed a field driver, hogreeve and hayward, in stead of Charles Gaylord, who declines serving. Field driver.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Requisition of the Judge of Probate of the County of Suffolk; that inquisition be made as to the state of mind of Mary Boit, who has been represented as a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself. Read and thereupon ordered, that the said Mary be notified to appear before this board on monday next, four o'clock, P. M. and shew cause, if any she have, why she should not be declared non compos mentis as aforesaid, in order that a Guardian be appointed according to law. Mary Boit non compos mentis.

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to discharge a mortgage given by Benjamin Crombie, to the Parker point association, and by said association to said City, for the sum of $1211 77/100, recorded with Suffolk deeds Lib. 302 fol. 56 & 57. upon payment of the principal & interest due on said mortgage. Crombie's mortg. to be discht.

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Ellis
McLean St.

Petition of Luther Ellis, to be paid for land taken from him to widen McLean Street. Read & committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report. –

Sullivan
Porters in the Market.

Petition of William Sullivan, and others, against the employment of minors to carry home provisions from the Market; but that porters be licensed for that purpose. Read and committed to the committee on the Market, to consider and report.

Gragg.
Fish box

Petition of W. P. Gragg, for the removal of a fish box, at the end of Hanover Street. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report.

Atkins
High Street

On the Petition of Benjamin Atkins, for leave to open the common sewer in High Street. Reported, that an order of notice be issued to all persons interested to appear before this board on monday next, four o'clock, P. M. and show cause, if any they have, why said common sewer should not be taken up and relaid, and the expense thereof apposed according to law upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

Adjourned to Thursday next, 12 o'clock at noon.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Thursday, the twenty first day of July, Anno Domini, 1831.,

Present -

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Armstrong.

Market house. Chambers.

The committee to whom was referred the resolves of the Common Council respecting the leasing of the chambers over the Market, made a report, which was read and ordered to be laid upon the table, and that a sufficient number of copies of the same be printed for the use of the City Council.

Public buildings.

The joint committee of the City Council to whom was recommitted the report on the message of the Mayor in relation to the care, superintendence, and leasing of the public buildings of the City having again considered the subject - Report, That they be discharged from the further consideration of the same. Read, accepted, and ordered accordingly.

Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred.

Winchester new street.

The board reconsider their former vote on the petition of Edmund Winchester, and others, for a new street to lead from Cooper to Salem streets - passed on the 24th. of June, last, and the following resolve passed in lieu thereof viz: Resolved, That the public safety & convenience require, that a new street be opened from Cooper to Salem streets, thirty feet wide; provided, that the expense to the City, shall not in addition to the sum of sixteen hundred dollars, to

178. to be paid by the petitioners, exceed three thousand dollars — And that the same be referred to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary, to negociate with the petitioners for the purpose of ascertaining whether the same can be carried into effect, and to report to this board.

Bromfield street.

Ordered, That Alpheus Bigelow, Junior, Esquire, be notified to appear before this board, on Monday next, four o'clock, P. M. and show cause, if any he have, why the resolve which passed the board of Aldermen September 3d 1824, for widening Bromfield Street should not be carried into effect, and that the committee of the district be instructed to cause the workmen employed to build up said Bigelow's building on Washington street, to suspend their operations, until the further order of this board.

Liberty square Warehouse.

Petition of the Liberty square Warehouse Company, praying, that a permit may be granted them to open a drain to extend about four hundred feet from Liberty square thro' Water street to connect with the drain in Broad street, and that Messrs. Glover and Hurlbert be employed by them for that purpose: Read and committed to Aldermen Parmen and Harris, to consider and report.

Cows.

An ordinance to repeal in part an ordinance entitled "An ordinance regulating the going at large of Cows, & the right of pasturage on Boston Common." Passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Humphrey Crop st.

Ordered, That the following be added to the ordinance which passed this board, on the 15th day of June last, authorizing Benjamin Humphrey, & others, to sink a well in Crop Street, viz. Ordered, That the work be conducted by persons employed by the committee of the district.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the twenty fifth day of July, Anno Domini, 1831. —

Present. —

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Boit

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given to Mary Boit, agreeably to the order of notice, passed last monday; but she does not appear, and after the examination of a witness, the board are of opinion, that said Mary is a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself, and the same was certified to the Judge of Probate, in order that a Guardian be appointed to her according to law. non compos mentis.

Parks

Application of Elisha Parks, for permission to put up a balustrade to his store at the corner of Doane and Kilby Streets. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report. Doane & Kilby Streets.

Griggs

The committee to whom was referred the petition of John Griggs, and others, praying, that the lower part of Summer street be widened, made a report which was read and thereupon ordered, that all persons interested in the estate of the late Henry Hill, Esquire, deceased, to appear & shew cause, if any they have, why part of said estate should not be taken to widen said street, on Monday next, four o'Clock, P. M. — Summer St.

Rice

Petition of Henry G. Rice, & others, to have E street opened. Read and committed to Aldermen Russell, Bent and McCleary, to consider and report. — E Street.

Fisher Market.

Petition of Jabez Fisher, and others, occupants of stalls and cellars, in the Faneuil Hall Market house, for leave to pay rent quarterly. Read and committed to the committee on the market, to consider and report, and with instructions to report the names of such tenants who are delinquent. Also, that they discriminate who shall pay by the quarter, and who by the week.

Liberty Square Warehouse.

The committee on the petition of the Liberty square Ware house Corporation, for leave to open the common Sewer, forn hundred feet, from Liberty square through Water shed:- Reported, that the prayer of said petitioners be granted, the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets.

Read and accepted.

Sullivan Porters in Market

The committee on the petition of William Sullivan, and others, to have minors excluded from the Market, or that they be not employed to carry home provisions for purchasers, reported, that notice ought to be given for applications from such persons as are desirous to be appointed Porters, at Faneuil Hall Market, being persons of good moral character, & that such persons in proper numbers ought to be appointed by the Mayor and Aldermen, to supercede the employment of boys in that capacity. Read, accepted & ordered accordingly.

Land Com.: papage way. Suffolk St.

The committee on the communication of the Land Commissioner, recommending a papage way of twenty feet wide, be laid out between land of George Archball; situated on the southeasterly side of Suffolk Street, & the proposition of Mr. Archball to purchase a small wedge of land- Reported, that the same be granted and accepted. —

Read and accepted.

Petition of William Donnison, Esquire, praying that the name of South Bennett Street be changed. Read and committed to Aldermen Rupell and Bent, to consider and report.

Donnison, South Bennett St.

The committee on the application of Aaron Turner, for leave to erect a building near the Hay-Scales, for exhibitions of horsemanship, reported, that they do not approbate the proposed location for the erection of a Circus; but that on a more suitable place being provided, to the approbation of the Mayor and Aldermen, the committee recommend the granting the application under the following restriction, to wit, That the performances be limited to five evenings in each week pending the license; that a sufficient number of peace officers be employed by the proprietors at their expense; such officers not to retire until the company have all dismissed after the performances are over, each evening. That the sum of ten dollars, be paid, per week for the license. Read and accepted, with an amendment, that the money be paid in advance.

Turner. Amphitheatre.

The committee on the petition of Porter George C. Shattuck, to be remunerated, for land taken from him to widen Cambridge street, reported, that one dollar fifty cents per foot be allowed and paid for his said land.— Read, accepted, & ordered accordingly, upon said Shattuck's giving a release for all damages.

Shattuck Cambridge St.

The committee on the application of Joseph S. Hastings, to be paid the balance of his account for lamps furnished, in the year 1826, for Faneuil Hall Market— Reported, that the sum demanded is due, and that it ought to be paid. Read and accepted.

Hastings

Livermore & Kendall
Market Hall

The committee to whom was referred the proposal of Livermore and Kendall, to hire the eastern & western wings of the Hall over the Market, with power to make an agreement to lease the same to said Livermore & Kendall; reserving the Center Hall; for a term not exceeding three years, after the first year, for a sum not less than two thousand Dollars, per annum — Report, That they have agreed to lease the said wings to said Livermore & Kendall, for one year, for the sum of two thousand one hundred dollars, payable quarterly; with the right to said lessees to extend their lease, for three years, after the expiration of the first year, on the same terms; provided they give notice, two months at least, before the end of said year, of their intention to continue the same. And the lease of the same has been jointly executed by the Mayor, and said Livermore and Kendall, and delivered to the parties, the committee having first certified on the back of said lease, that they had made said agreement, as per directions of the board.

For the committee — Henry Farnam.

Read and accepted.

Gragg,
Fish box
Winnisimett ferry.

The committee on the petition of W. P. Gragg, for the removal of a fish box at the northerly end of Hanover Street — report, that the prayer of the petition be granted, on condition, that such permission shall not be understood in any wise to affect any pending question in relation to the rights of the City to Winnisimett ferry; also that the fish box be removed to the acceptance of the tenant in possession, and on some spot in the vicinity of its present location which shall not lessen the convenience of the same as a fish market to the public, and that said removal be made free of any expense to the City. —

For the committee.

M. J. Oliver, Chairman

Read and accepted.

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Petition of Samuel H. Hewes, for leave to erect a tomb, in the square opposite the Infants tomb, in the South burial ground at his own expense. Read & committed to the committee on the burial grounds &c. to consider and report. — Hewes Tomb.

Ordered, That the Mayor be authorized to deliver to William Foster and Charles C. Foster, a deed of a certain piece of land, lying east of Faneuil Hall Market, upon receiving from them a release of all their claim, unto the other property in the wharf called Spear's wharf, and the privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging. — Foster's deed.

Representation of the City Treasurer respecting an occupant of one of the stores under Faneuil Hall, neglecting to pay his rent. Read and committed to the Mayor, to instruct the City Solicitor respecting the same. — Faneuil Hall Stores.

Adjourned to nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

1831. At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Tuesday the twenty sixth day of July, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor — Aldermen Oliver, Armstrong, McCleary, Tarnam, and Harris.—

Bigelow
Bromfield street.

Alpheus Bigelow, Junior Esquire, appeared before this board, yesterday, agreeably to the notice served on him, and protested against the City's taking his land to widen Bromfield Street, and the board having viewed the premises this morning, & after mature deliberation thereon Resolved, That the public safety & convenience require, that said Street be widened, & the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following viz: Beginning at the corner of Washington Street & Bromfield Street, thence running northeasterly on said Washington Street, four feet; thence running northwesterly about sixty eight feet by a straight line in a direction to the southerly corner of a brick building belonging to Joseph Ballard; thence running southwesterly five feet one inch by land taken to widen said Street September 3d. 1827. thence running southeasterly by the present line of said Bromfield Street sixty seven feet, two inches to the place of beginning. Taking from the land of said Bigelow three hundred and nine square feet, as marked on a plan taken by S. P. Fuller, dated September 1. 1827.

Ordered, That the committee of the district Aldermen Armstrong and Tinney, be instructed to offer to the proprietors of the said estate on Bromfield Street to rebuild the wall on said Street, and to treat and agree with them on the subject of such other repairs as may by them be deemed equitable, and on the subject of any further compensation in damages for the taking of said land, that may be claimed by said proprietors.—

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the first day of August, Anno Domini, 1831. 185.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Ordered, that Aldermen Farnam, Binney and Harris, be a committee of arrangement for the annual visitation of the Schools, on the 24th instant, & that they cause a Dinner to be provided in Faneuil Hall, & also cause cards of invitation to be sent to the Clergy, and the several gentlemen holding public offices in the City, and also such strangers visiting the City as they may deem proper. Schools.

The committee to whom was referred the resolves of the Common Council, respecting the leasing of the Chambers over the Market as follows viz: "Whereas by the 16 section of the City Charter the care and superintendence of the public buildings with power to sell or lease the same is vested in both branches of the City Council; and whereas it appears that the board of Aldermen have exercised this joint jurisdiction by leasing the Chambers over the Market to Messrs Livermore and Kendall, it is therefore Resolved, that the Common Council having authorized the joint standing committee on public buildings in concurrence with the Mayor and Aldermen to grant the said Hall to the New England society for the promotion of Manufactures and the Mechanic arts, and the said Committee having granted the use of the same accordingly, this board consider that grant as still unrepealed by the City Council, and that the public faith is pledged to a due observance of the same." Market Chambers

Resolved, that a Copy of this Resolve be transmitted to the board of Aldermen." reported, as on file;

186. and the resolves passed as follows viz:- Resolved, That the lease of the Chambers over the Market to Livermore & Kendall has been made under plenary authority vested in the Mayor and Aldermen, by the City Council, and that the City Solicitor be directed to defend them in the possession thereof, against the claims and demands of all persons. Resolved, that this report and order be sent to the Common Council, and with the documents therein referred, to be printed in all the news papers in which the City ordinances are printed.

Jackson Lowell Rail Road.

Petition of P. T. Jackson, Agent of the Boston and Lowell Rail road Corporation, praying that a committee may be appointed for the purpose of treating with said Corporation upon the subject, whether the City is disposed to grant any & what facilities to said Corporation in entering the City with their rail road. Read and committed to the Mayor and Alderman McCleary, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Robbins, Parker and Flint.

Ashton Washington St

Petition of John Ashton, praying leave to make ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ arches under the side walk in front of his store on Washington street. Read and committed to Alderman Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Lawrence Kilby & Doane streets.

Remonstrance of William Lawrence & others, against Elisha Parkes having permission to erect a balustrade to his store corner of Kilby and Doane streets. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnum and Harris to consider & report.

Petition of Barzillai Holmes, praying that the City would take back a tomb, which he purchased, situated in the burial ground at South Boston. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver, McCleary, and Farnam with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs. Gill, Hatch, Chapman and Dickenson. — Holmes Tomb.

Petition of Ward Jackson and others, that the City would accept Fruit street, after the proprietors shall have put the same in a suitable condition. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney to consider and report. — Jackson Fruit St.

Petition of the Grand Jury, praying permission to hold their sittings in the County Court house, near School street, instead of their present place of meeting in the Court house Leverett street. Read and committed to the committee on the Jail &c. to consider and report. — Grand Jury

The committee on the petition of Luther Ellis, to be paid for his land taken to widen McLean street, reported, that he ought to be paid, one dollar per square foot, for two hundred and eighty six feet of land taken as aforesaid, as per plan of S. P. Fuller. Read & accepted. — Ellis McLean St.

Ordered, That the City Solicitor be requested to state to this board, if any law exists which operates upon the proprietors of Stage Coaches, non residents in the City, regulating their driving through the public avenues of the City. — Stage Coaches.

Constable negatived

The Mayor nominated William Andrews for re-appointment as one of the Constables of the City for the year ensuing; on this nomination the ballots being taken it appeared, that there was three in the affirmative, & four in the negative. So the same was not confirmed.

Constable appointed.

Seth Stowell was nominated and appointed a Constable of the City, for the year ensuing.

Summer street.

Agreeably to notice passed at the last meeting Messrs Samuel D. Bowes, and Thomas Wigglesworth appeared in behalf of the owners of the land lately belonging to the estate of Henry Hill, deceased, on Summer street, and objected to having the street widened, in front of their estate, and after a full hearing and mature deliberation thereon, it was (Resolved) That the public safety and convenience require, that said street be widened, by taking a piece of the land belonging to the estate of Henry Hill, deceased, measuring five hundred and seventy square feet; provided the expense to the City shall not exceed five hundred and seventy dollars. And that Aldermen Farnam and Harris be a committee to negociate with the parties interested and report whether the same can be carried into effect.

Fisher. Market stalls

The committee of the Market to whom was referred, the petition of Jabez Fisher & others, have considered the subject, and report the following order, viz: (Ordered) That any occupant of a stall or cellar in the Faneuil Hall Market, who shall desire to pay the rent of such stall or cellar in quarterly payments instead of the present weekly payments, may be allowed so to do; on application to the committee of the Market in

writing; provided that all persons who shall elect to pay by the quarter in advance, shall pay the rent for the quarter on the first day of each and every quarter to the Auditor of the City, or to the Clerk of the Market, and they or either of them are hereby authorized to allow a discount of one per cent. on the amount so paid in advance. By order of Committee

Sam. S. Armstrong

Read & accepted.

On the several petitions of Samuel Beal, Benj.ⁿ Kimball, Thomas Gould & Phillips Adams, praying compensation for land taken to widen Salem Street, in the year 1829, agreeably to a plan of S. P. Fuller; the committee report, that the several claims for land taken as aforesaid, as to the quantity are correct, & are as follows viz: Samuel Beal, seventy three feet, Benjamin Kimball, eighty & a quarter feet, Thomas Gould, about sixty feet and Phillips Adams one hundred & two feet— amounting in the whole to 313 ¼ cubic feet square feet— The prices they have been unable to agree upon— The projection from one of the applicants Thomas Gould whose land is immediately contiguous to land of the City, occupied by Engine house No 3. is, that compensation be not made him in money— That as the covering of his dwelling house projects over the City line, he wishes to be secured in the right to have it so remain so long as the City land is unimproved, as it now is free of charge, to him. This projection extends about twelve inches over the roof of the Engine house: they see no difficulty to such arrangement, & that the City solicitor prepare the necessary papers. The forty six & a half feet of land thrown into the street over thirty years since in front of said Kimball's store the committee considers he has no claim upon the City. Ordered, that seventy five cents pr. square foot, be allowed pr the land taken from said Beal, Kimball & Adams. Read & accepted; & that said Gould be permitted to have his said covering remain until the further order of this board.

Beal
Kimball
Gould
Adams.
Salem St.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on monday, the eighth day of August, Anno Domini, 1831. —

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Farnam.

Boston South bridge.

Order of the Common Council committing the memorial of James Hall, and Robert T. Paine, stating, that they have been appointed by the proprietors of the Boston South bridge, a committee to agree, if possible, with the City on the terms of surrender of their franchise, & their property in said bridge, to Messrs. Stevens, Everett, Everett, Hastings and Abbot, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor, Aldermen McClean, Binney and Harris are joined.

Ashton Washington St.

The committee on the petition of John Ashton, to construct arches under the side walk in Washington street, reported, that the prayer of said petition be granted, on the usual terms. Read and accepted.

Jackson Fruit St.

The committee on the petition of Ward Jackson, and others, reported, that Fruit street be accepted as prayed for, and that the same be gravelled or macadamized, and the gutters paved, whenever the abutters shall put down edge stones & have the side walks on both sides. Read and accepted.

Stage Coaches

City Solicitor's opinion concerning Stage Coaches Read and laid upon the table.

Petition of George C. Shattuck, for leave to construct arches under the side walks, Cambridge street. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report. Shattuck Cambridge St.

Remonstrance of John D. Williams, and others, Inhabitants of Ward No. 12, against the new division of wards, as reported by the committee, which was read, and together with the report of the committee on that subject, postponed to the next meeting. Williams Wards.

Communication from Charles P. Curtis, Esquire, stating that he has been instructed to commence a suit against the officers of Ward No. 4, for rejecting the vote of C. Capen, at the last election of Governor, Lieutenant Governor & Senators, in order to try the question of the constitutionality of that provision of the City Charter, by which voters whose names are not on the ward lists are excluded. Read and referred to the City Solicitor, with instructions to defend the ward officers against any action which may be brought respecting the same. Curtis - Capen - votes -

The board give notice of the existance of an infectious and contagious disease existing in the ports of the Russian Empire, within the Baltic - whereupon it is ordered, that from and after this date, all vessels arriving from any port in the Baltic shall be subject to quarantine at Rainsford Island, under the direction of the Resident Physician for such term of time, not exceeding forty eight hours, as shall be deemed necessary by said Physician for her examination. Quarantine.

The committee of quarantine reported the foregoing, & that further consideration of the subject postponed to the next meeting.

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Porters in Market.

The committee of the market, on the subject of licensing porters in the Market reported that the following be the form of the license to be granted to such persons as shall be licensed, viz: "This certifies that A. B. has been approbated and appointed a Porter at the Faneuil Hall Market, to continue as such during the pleasure of the Mayor and Aldermen.

City Clerk."

Read and accepted, and that the several persons named therein be licensed accordingly.

Quarantine Small pox Hospital.

The committee on Quarantine reported plans and estimates for building a small pox hospital on Rainsford Island: Read and accepted, and thereupon ordered, that the committee on quarantine be authorized to close the contract accordingly.

Worslow Broadway & E st.

The committee on the petition of Nathaniel Worslow, praying that the lines and elevation of Broadway and E street, South Boston, may be designated, Report, That they have instructed Wm. Fuller, the City Surveyor, to make the designation requested, and he has reported, That the line of Broadway is a straight line drawn from the front of the house at the corner of D street, and Broad alley to the fence in front of the house belonging to Noah Brooks, and the line of E street, is the line parallel with the house and fence of the Revd John S.C Blake, and fifty feet distant therefrom. The committee recommend, That the level of the side walk on Broadway, opposite the land of said Worslow, be the present surface of the earth on the easterly side of said Broadway, & on E street, the surface to be a regular inclined plane, to Second street. For the committee. Benj: Russell.

Read and accepted.

Petition of William Bird & J. A. Etheridge late occupants of building corner of Washington & Bromfield streets, to be remunerated for their damage in being obliged to remove from their said places of busines, in consequence of the City's taking a part of the same to widen those streets. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider & report. — Bird & Etheridge, Washington & Bromfield sts.

Petition of Christopher Gore, & others, to have the common sewer in Prince Street ~~xxxxx~~ be continued from Salem street to Thacher Street. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report. Gore, Prince st.

Petition of Ezra Hawkes, and others, to have the name of Second Street changed to Barton Street. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report. Hawkes, Second st.

The committee on the petition of Elisha Parks, for leave to construct a ballustrade to his Store corner of Kilby and Doane Streets, and the remonstrance of Wm Lawrence & others against the same reported that the board cannot prevent the erection of a ballustrade, provided it does not project more than three feet from the side of the building. Read & accepted. Parks, Lawrence, Doane & Kilby Streets.

Petition of the Mechanic Rifle company for a room in Faneuil Hall, for an Armory. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Rupell, to consider and report. Mechanic Rifle Co.

Memorial of Engine company No. 8, proposing to surrender the Engine, Hall the apparatus belonging to the same to the Chief Engineer, and retire from the fire department. Read & committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider & report. Engine No. 8.

Adjourned to Monday, next, 4 o'Clock, P. M.

At a special meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Thursday, the eleventh day of August, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present_

The Mayor_ Aldermen Armstrong, Russell, McCleary, Bent, Binney and Harris._

Quarantine

Ordered, that the following notice be published as adopted by this board, viz:- Notice is hereby given, that this board has received satisfactory information of "the prevalence of a contagious or infectious disease" at Riga and Dantzic in the Baltic, and also at Archangel, which renders it expedient that quarantine be had of all vessels coming from those ports.

Whereupon ordered, that from and after this day all vessels coming within the harbor of Boston from Riga, Dantzic & Archangel shall perform quarantine as is provided by the ordinance establishing and regulating the quarantine of vessels, for the space of forty eight hours, and until the master shall receive a certificate from the Resident Physician, that he may be discharged.

Adjourned.

Saturday, August 13th 1831.

Present_ The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen except Alderman Bent._

Small Pox Hospital

The board visited Rainsford Island, in company with Mr. Rogers the Architect, and the head workmen for the purpose of selecting a proper site for the small pox hospital, and after viewing the ground it was determined, that the elevated ground on the south west head should be the place whereon to erect said building.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of 195.
Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at the City Hall,
on monday, the fifteenth day of August, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Order of the Common Council com- Piper
mitting the several remonstrances of Solomon Piper, and others, Alger
Inhabitants of ward No. 10, against having South Boston, an- French.
nexed to said ward. Of Loyrus Alger, and others, Inhabi
tants of South Boston, against being separated from Ward No. 12,
Of John French, and others, Inhabitants of South end against
South Boston, being separated from Ward No. 12 — to the
committee appointed to divide the City into twelve equal wards,
to consider and report. Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

The report of the committee, with Wards —
full authority to divide the City into twelve equal wards, new division.
according to the provision of the second section of the
City Charter, taking the recent Census of the Inhabitants
thereof as their guide. Read and recommitted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Remonstrance of John D. Williams, & Williams.
others, Inhabitants residing at the southerly part of Ward No. 12
against having South Boston, annexed to said ward; Read
and committed to the committee appointed to divide the
City into twelve equal wards, to consider and report.

Sent down for concurrence

Came up concurred.

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Chapman Portland Rifle Corps.

Petition of Jonathan Chapman, Junior, in behalf of the Portland Rifle Company, who are about making an excursion to this City, during the present week, praying, that said Company may be permitted and authorized to occupy so much of Boston Common, as may be necessary for encampment; - saving however, all usual avenues & paths uninterrupted. And that for this purpose, they be permitted to mark out reasonable lines, to maintain the same by Sentinels, and to keep exclusive possession of the ground so marked out, during their stay in the City. Read & committed to the Mayor with full power to grant the same.

President Monroe

The committee appointed to consider & adopt such measures as they may deem expedient to express the sense of the eminent worth and public services of James Monroe, late President of the United States, reported in part, that they have invited the Honble. John Quincy Adams, to deliver an Eulogy - and that Thursday, the 25th instant, at four o'clock, P. M. has been set apart, for the delivery of the same, and all further arrangements which the committee may deem proper for the occasion will be communicated to the City Council in due season.

Read and sent down.

Shattuck Cambridge St.

The committee on the petition of George L. Shattuck, to construct arches under the side walk Cambridge Street, also to lower the common Sewer, - reported, that the arches be constructed, and the common Sewer opened, and sunk, if required, under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets, at the expense of the Petitioner. -

Read and accepted.

Petition of the Long Wharf Central Wharf and Wet dock Corporation, praying that the City would participate in the expense of removing gravel and mud from the dock between their wharves, occasioned by the common sewers emptying into said dock. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong, Farnam and Harris, to consider & report. Long & Central Wharves.

Petition of Ezra Walker, and others, to have a building removed from the line of Bedford Street. Read and committed to Aldermen Rufell and Bent, to consider and report. Walker Bedford St.

Petition of Ezra Trull, and others, praying, that the City would, purchase a small lot of land in the centre of the square, formed by the intersection of Portland, Merriman and Pitts Streets, for the purpose of erecting thereon, an engine or ladder house. Read & committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider & report. Trull.

Petition of Henry W. Barton, to be remunerated for damage in cutting off his building No. 213, Washington Street. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report. Barton Washington St.

The committee on the petition of John Rufell, to have a common sewer constructed in Spring Street, Reported, that the common sewer be opened and built, under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets, the whole expence to be paid by the petitioner. Read & accepted. Rufell Spring St.

Land Com. communication proposing to lease to James S. Delaflin a passage way leading from Derne St. Referred to the Mayor to consider & report. Delaflin Derne St.

198.

Coolidge

Petition of Cornelius Coolidge, to have a committee appointed to settle with him respecting land which he purchased of the City some time since, and which he is now unable to pay for. Read and committed to Aldermen Bent, Binney and Harris, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Abbot, Bartlett, Tremere, Hiane.

Gore
Prince St.

The committee on the petition of Christr Gore, and others, that a common Sewer may be constructed in Prince street, reported, that the usual order of notice for any persons objecting, to appear, on Monday next, four o'clock P.M. be ipued. Read and accepted, and ordered accordingly.

Bradbury.
Horse offal.

Petition of Charles Bradbury, & others, that they may have the privilege of appointing a person to remove their horse offal, to be licensed by this board. Referred to the Mayor, to consider and report.

Supt. Burial grounds
St. Matthews
Chapel.

The committee on the memorial of the Superintendent of burial grounds, in relation to removing bodies from the old part of the Cemetery under St. Matthews Chapel, to the new, reported, that leave be granted, under the direction of said Superintendent.

Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the twenty second day of August, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present—

The whole board of Aldermen.

Chairman pro tem.

The Mayor being absent, by reason of indisposition, Alderman Oliver was elected, by ballot, Chairman pro tempore.—

Lowell rail road.

Order of the Common Council, appointing Messrs. Robbins, Flint, Parker, James and Bigelow, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to confer with the Lowell Rail road Corporation, on the subject of conveying certain lots of City land, and parts of streets to said Corporation, and report their proceedings to the City Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor, Aldermen Armstrong, McCleary and Binney are joined.

Walker Bedford st.

The committee on the petition of Ezra Walker, and others, praying, that a projection in Bedford street, may be removed, and the street thereby be made convenable to the line thereof—Report, that they have examined the premises, and are of opinion, that the public safety and convenience require, that the projection of an old building, owned by Philip Wentworth of about thirty feet in length, and about seven feet in depth be removed, in order to straighten & widen said street;—And further, that the public safety & convenience also require, that a small gore of vacant land, containing fifty six square feet, situated on said Bedford street, and owned by said Wentworth, be also taken to widen said street. Read and thereupon ordered, that Philip Wentworth, the owner of the house be notified to appear before this board on Monday, next,

four o'Clock, P. M. and shew cause, if any they have, why said street should not be widened, by taking a part of his land and building for that purpose, and that a plan of the same be then laid before this board.

Baker, Stetson, Thayer & Brown vs. City.

Copies of several writs against the City, in favor of Edmund Baker, Amasa Stetson, Rufus Thayer, Bolton, and Michael Brown. Read and ordered, That the same be referred to the City Solicitor with directions to appear & defend the same before the respective Courts.

Rice's mortgage.

The City Treasurer and Auditor having, Certified that a note signed by Henry Rice, for fourteen hundred dollars, payable to the City, the Payment of which was secured by mortgage, recorded with Suffolk deeds, Libro 302, folio 66 & 67, has been fully paid. Thereupon ordered, That the Mayor be authorized to discharge said mortgage.

Land Com^r. Fulton St.

Report of the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, that he has been offered a certain sum, for a lot of land on Fulton Street. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report.

Monroe.

The committee of the City Council charged with the arrangement for a public procession & Eulogy in memory of the late James Monroe, reported, that they have agreed upon an arrangement of procession as will appear in the papers tomorrow, to be formed on Thursday afternoon next, at half past three o'Clock the Council, & other City officers, & all others invited, meet at the Doric Hall of the State house, at three o'Clock, for this purpose, to proceed to the Old South, and that the Mayor be requested to notify both branches of the City Council, to meet in their respective

Chambers immediately after the services of the Church.

For the committee, H. J. Oliver, Chairman.

Read and accepted.

Petition of Jonathan Parker, complaining of a defective chimney, in the house belonging to Mrs. Spear, & others, No. 88 Salem Street, that said chimney is so defective as to endanger the property in the vicinity thereof, and the lives of the persons in the house adjoining and praying, that suitable measures may be adopted to secure the same. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider & report. Parker defective Chimney.

Petition of James Savage, and others, for leave to construct a common sewer, to connect with their drains from their houses in Tremont and West Streets, and the court connected therewith. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, with full power to grant the same. Savage Tremont & West Streets.

Petition of William Foster in behalf of himself and Charles C. Foster, and Lemuel Foster, praying that an account be made out, with a view to a final adjustment with the City of their claim for a proportion of wharfage and dockage, of the City wharf. Read and committed, to the Committee on the City wharf, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. The Common Council non-concurred, and ordered, that the same be committed to Messrs. Lawrence, James, and Parker, with such as the Board of Aldermen might join, to consider & report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred; Aldermen Binney & Harris are joined. Foster.

Ordered, that the statement of facts respecting the Free bridge, be referred to the City Solicitor. Free bridge.

Adjourned to meet immediately after the services in the Church on Thursday next.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Thursday, the twenty fifth day of August, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The whole board of Aldermen. —

Eulogy on Pres. Monroe.

The board met at the State House and proceeded with the procession to the Old South Church, escorted by the Independent Cadets, under command of Lieut. Col.° Baker, where the Eulogy upon the late James Monroe was pronounced by the Hon.ble John Quincy Adams.

After which the board assembled at their room in City Hall. —

Orator Thanks to

Resolved, That the thanks of the City Council be presented to the Hon. John Quincy Adams, for the eloquent Eulogy, delivered by him, this day, at the Old South Church, at their request, in memory of the late venerable James Monroe, and that a copy for the press be requested.

Resolved, That Aldermen Oliver, Russell, Quincy and Harris, with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee to carry the foregoing resolve into effect. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs. Stevens, Bigelow, James, Rayner and Wetmore.

Cadets Thanks to

Resolved, That the thanks of the City Council be presented to the Corps of Independent Cadets, for the very acceptable manner in which they performed the escort

duties, on the occasion of the Eulogy in memory of James Monroe, late President of the United States; - To the proprietors of the Old South Church, for the use of their House; To the Choir of Singers; and to the several Gentlemen who officiated as Marshals, for their services on that occasion.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Quarantine extended.

The board having received information of a "contagious and infectious disease" in the north of Europe:

It is ordered, that from and after this day, all vessels arriving from any of the ports or places within the Cattegatte, or any port or place on the Elbe, shall be liable to quarantine at Rainsford Island, for such term of time, as the Resident Physician at said Island may direct; subject to the direction of the Mayor & Aldermen.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the twenty ninth day of August, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The whole board of Aldermen, except Ald. Farnam.

Gore. Ordered, that a common sewer in Prince
Prince St. street from Salem street to Thacher street, be constructed by the Superintendent of streets, under the direction of the committee of the district, agreeable to the petition of Christopher Gore, and others and that the expence thereof be assessed upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

Trull. The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Ezra Trull, and others, praying, that a lot of land be purchased by the City, for the purpose of erecting a building for a hook & ladder, or engine company- Report, that said lot forms a triangle; by the intersection of Portland, Merrimac, and Traverse streets, containing about eight hundred feet; that there is in the neighbourhood, a hook & ladder & engine buildings; that in the opinion of the Committee, the City do not require said lot for any other purpose; that by the information obtained, it appears to be the object of the petitioners, that said lot be thrown into an open square which there cannot be a doubt would be very pleasant to the immediate neighbours; but which the public safety and convenience of the City does not require. The committee therefore recommend, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

For the committee, Henry Farnam.

Read and accepted.

Petition of George H. Barrett, for a license for the Tremont Theatre, for six months from this day. Read and committed to Aldermen McCleary and Harris, to consider and report. — Barrett Tremont Theatre.

The committee on the burial grounds, on the application of the Superintendent of burial grounds, for leave to build a tomb in the South burial ground — Reported, that the prayer of the petitioner be granted, under the usual regulations. — Sup. burial grounds - Tomb.

Ordered, That Alderman Oliver be added to the committee on the petition of James Savage, and others, for leave to construct a common sewer, in order to drain the houses on Tremont and West streets, and that said committee have full power to grant the same, provided it shall not cross the Common. Savage Tremont & West St.

Agreeably to the notice passed at the last meeting, Philip Wentworth appeared and filed his remonstrance against the City's taking a part of his land and building to widen Bedford street — Read and thereupon Resolved, That the whole board will meet, in said street in front of said house, on Friday morning, nine o'clock, & that said Wentworth be notified to attend, if he see fit. — Wentworth Bedford St.

Ordered, That the Proprietors of India street, be notified, by advertizement, in the news papers, to appear before this board, on Monday next, four o'clock, P. M. and show cause, if any they have, why the common sewer, passing through Central street, should not be continued across India street, at the expence of the aforesaid Proprietors. India street.

Petition of Moses Ardem, and others,

Ardem
Charles st.

praying, that an out lot may be made, so as to carry off the water from Charles street, near the bottom of Chesnut street. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

City Solicitor
Olger's Case.

The City Solicitor, on the subject committed to him respecting certain acts done by Loyens Olger Esquire to the injury of the Boston free bridge, made a report which was read and thereupon ordered, that the whole subject be recommitted to the committee of the district, & that Alderman Tarnum be added to said committee, & that they investigate the subject with the assistance of the City Solicitor.

Parker
Foster
City Wh'f.

Communication of David Parker, City Wharfinger, stating, that William Foster, Esquire, has stated to him, that he wishes to drive piles in that part of the dock belonging to him, & his brothers, at the head of the City wharf, & requesting him to cause the vessels which lie there to be removed, so that he can get in a scow, for the purpose aforesaid, tomorrow afternoon. Read & committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Binney & Harris, to consider and report.

H. of Correction

Ordered, that the committee on the Jail & House of Correction be instructed, to take into consideration and adopt such measures as may be deemed by them the best mode of warming the House of Correction, and that they have full power to carry the same into effect.

Adjourned to meet in Bedford Street on Friday morning next, 9 o'Clock. They met there accordingly, & adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on monday, the fifth day of September, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The whole board of Aldermen, except Ald. Binney.

Order of the Common Council, committing the petition of Josiah Knapp, and others, praying, That the "Boston South bridge, be made the property of the City, and that it be free, and put in passable repair" to the committee who have under consideration the petition of a committee of said bridge, to consider and report. Knapp. Boston South bridge.

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Petition of Nehemiah P. Mann & others, praying, That the Boston South bridge may be made the property of the City, and put in suitable repair. Read, and committed to the committee who have under consideration the petition of Josiah Knapp, and others, to consider and report. Mann & others. Mann v. South bridge.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Remonstrance of Thomas Blake, & others, Inhabitants of Boston. Also of the town of Roxbury, & of Charles Davis, and others Inhabitants of Roxbury, against the City's acceptance of the Boston South bridge. Read and committed to the committee who have under consideration the petition of Josiah Knapp, & others, to consider and report. Blake & others. Roxbury. Davis.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mansfield & Bigelow
Read & Co.
Water St.

Petition of Mansfield and Bigelow, & James Read, & Co. claiming damage to their goods in the cellars of stores on Water Street, by the rain water on Saturday last, in consequence of the accumulation of materials upon the side walks, in consequence of constructing a common sewer there. Also their request that said goods be sold at Auction. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report.

Barrett
Tremont Theatre.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of G. H. Barrett, for a license for Theatrical performances at the Tremont Theatre, reported, that a license ought to be granted, for the term of six months, from the twenty ninth day of August, last, agreeably to said petition, at the same rate as governed the licensing of said Theatre the last year.

Read and accepted.

Quarantine

The committee on Quarantine made a verbal report, that they had visited Rainsford Island, this forenoon, and that all the patients recently landed on the Island had recovered; two men still remain in the small box hospital but are in a convalescent state. Since June 15th ending with this date one hundred and fifty four vessels have been under examination (about twice the number of the last season) particular attention has been bestowed upon the subject of preventing the introduction of the Cholera from the Baltic, the Resident Physician begs the committee to assure the board that should any thing occur indicative of danger to the public health he will be prompt in giving information thereof to the board.

Goodenow

Application of George Goodenow, for a renewal of his license of the Amphitheatre, Kings alley. Read & committed to Aldermen Farnam & Harris, to consider & report.

Petition of George J. Homer, to be remunerated for land which he claims, taken some years since to widen Charter street. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver, McCleary, Farnam and Harris, to consider & report. 209. Homer. Charter St.

Petition of Coolidge & Haskell, to hire the centre stalls in Faneuil Hall Market house. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Kupsell, to consider and report. Coolidge & Haskell. Market Hall.

Petition of John Welch, and others, praying, that Essex street, be widened near the corner of Short street. Read and committed to Aldermen Kupsell & Bent, to consider and report. Welch. Essex St.

Petition of Jonathan Chapman Jr. in behalf of the Lynn Rifle Corps, for permission to occupy sufficient ground in the Common, for an encampment, & that they be authorized to maintain possession of the same, for next Thursday night. Read & the prayer thereof granted, under the direction of the Mayor. Chapman. Lynn Rifle Corps.

Application of Aaron Turner, for a license to exhibit equestrian performances on a piece of land being the open space adjoining the Canal near Pond street. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary, to consider & report. Turner.

Petition of a committee of the Young men, for the use of Faneuil Hall, on Saturday & Monday next, to exhibit the train of standards to be presented to the poles. Read & the prayer thereof granted. Poles. Standards.

Bedford Street.

Resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that Bedford Street be widened, and the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following, viz^t: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of a brick building belonging to Ezra Walker; thence running easterly, forty feet, to the northwesterly corner of a brick house belonging to John Kennick; thence continuing easterly by the front of said house eighteen feet, four inches to the northeasterly corner thereof; thence continuing easterly sixty one feet four inches to the northwesterly corner of another brick house belonging to thence westerly by the present line of said street, thirty feet ten inches; thence northerly three feet, four inches; thence westerly by the present line of said street ninety feet, one inch, to the place of beginning. Taking from land belonging to Philip Wentworth, two hundred, twenty eight and one third square feet, as marked on a plan taken by S. P. Fuller, dated Aug^t 29. 1831. Said Wentworth was duly notified, appeared & objected to the same.

Com^r Com^r Temple St.

The Commissioners for the sale of public lands, reports, That he has received offers for the purchase of two lots of land on Temple Street. Read & Committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Land Com^r Dedham St.

The Commission for the sale of public lands, reports, That he has received offers for the purchase of land on Dedham street, & proposed to construct a common sewer in said street. Read and committed to Aldermen Russell & Bent, to consider and report.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the twelfth day of September, Anno Domini, 1831. —

Present —

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen except Alderman Binney.

Greenwood Fleet & Garden Court St.

Memorial of William P. Greenwood, stating, that it is his intention of building three dwelling houses on Fleet and Garden Court street, and prays that he may be permitted to build on the line of the street. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary, to consider and report. —

Powder for Militia.

Ordered, that Aldermen McCleary and Farnam be a committee to provide cartridges and powder for the militia composing the third brigade, first division as required by law, for the review the next month.

Goodenow Amphitheatre.

The committee on the application of George Goodenow, for a renewal of his license of Amphitheatre Flagg alley, reported, that a license be granted, for a term not less than three months, pay therefor ten dollars per months.

Read and accepted.

Turner Equestrian performances.

The committee on the application of Aaron Turner, for a license to exhibit Equestrian performances, on a piece of land which he has hired of Ebenezer Smith, adjoining the Canal, near Pond street — Reported, that the prayer of said petition be granted, he complying with the terms prescribed in a former report, bearing date July 25th 1831. —

Read and accepted.

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Taylor & Gofs.

Petition of Taylor & Gofs occupants of a cellar under the post office City Hall, for a reduction of their rent. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver & Rapell to consider and report.

Howard.

Application of Shaddeus Howard, Junior, claiming damage to his carriage in consequence of breaking into a well in Doane street. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report.

Mansfield & Bigelow Read.

The committee on the petition of Mansfield and Bigelow, James Read & Co. claiming indemnity for damage done to their property, by the rain water - Report, That having inquired into the cause of the injury complained of, learn that it was occasioned by throwing the earth from the new drain now building in Water street, upon the walk, which dammed the rain into the cellars. This being a private drain not under the superintendence of any public agent, the committee do not consider the City responsible for any damage arising from the negligence of the Contractor, who has been employed to construct the drain. They are of opinion therefore, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition. For the committee. Rich.d D. Harris.

Read and accepted.

Bruce, Engine No. 10.

Application of sundry members of Engine company No. 10, that some relief may be granted to Cyprus Bruce, a member of said company who was injured by taking cold at the fire in Broad street some months since, in consequence of which he he has been unable to pursue his regular occupation. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider & report.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given on the petition of James Savage and others, praying, that they may have leave to construct a common sewer in West street to lead to Bedford street. And now Henry Leodman, in behalf of John Amory, remonstrates against being allowed for any part of the expense of constructing said sewer, — Thereupon Ordered, That the petitioners be authorized to construct a common sewer as prayed for, under the direction of the Superintendent of streets, the whole expense to be assessed upon them. Savage & Amory West & Bedford St.

The committee on the Reports of the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, that he has agreed with Nathaniel D. Vose, who purchased one of the lots on Dedham street, to lay a common sewer of the best materials — viz^t. hard brick, and slate stone, to be not less than one foot three inches square, in the clear, and laid in the best manner under the direction, and to the acceptance of the Land Commissioner; for fifty two cents per foot running measure; the same to be paid for in land at eighteen cents per square foot, being a lot adjoining his land, southwesterly and fronting on Suffolk street the land to be one hundred and eighty feet deep, and as much front as will pay for said drain — Reported, that the common sewer be constructed as aforesaid to be paid for as above described. Read and accepted, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute a deed of the same accordingly. Land Com. Suffolk St. Dedham St.

The committee on the communication of the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, that he has been offered ten cents per foot for a lot of land on Dedham street, thirty feet front by ninety feet deep — ten per cent of the Land Com. Dedham St.

amount to be paid on delivery of the deed and the residue in annual payments of ten per cent. with interest secured by mortgage, with the right to pay the whole amount at any previous day. — Reported, that the same be accepted. Read & accepted, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute a deed of the same accordingly.

Land Comr. Washington St.

The committee on the report of the Commissioner for the sale of public lands, that he had received an offer for the sale of a lot of land on Washington Street being part of the Bull pasture, so called, reported, that it ought not to be disposed of, at the sum offered.

Read and accepted.

Rowe Water St.

Joseph Rowe's memorial respecting the level of Water Street, in front of his estate there situated: Read and thereupon resolved, that the whole board will meet on the premises, on Wednesday morning next, nine o'Clock, for the purpose of viewing the same, and that Mr. Rowe, S. P. Fuller, and the Superintendent of streets be notified to attend.

Robinson Hanover Avenue.

Petition of Simon W. Robinson, praying that the common Sewer Hanover avenue, may be taken up, & relaid and the expence thereof apcsed upon those, whose estates shall be benefitted thereby. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary, to consider and report.

Vinal Leverett place

Petition of Alis Vinal, Guardian of Emily Bowker, & others, to have the common Sewer in Leverett place taken up and repaired. Read & committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider & report.

Adjourned to ten o'Clock tomorrow morning.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on tuesday, the thirteenth day of September, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Quarantine

Ordered, that all goods coming from Riga, Dantzic, Archangel, the Kattegat, (including Gothenburg) or any port within the Baltic, or any port known or suspected to be infected by a contagious disease (excepting metalic substances not in packages) shall be landed at Rainsford Island, until the further order of this board.

Circular concerning infected places.

Ordered, that a circular be printed, published in the newspapers, and sent to the Selectmen of the sea port towns, in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine, Rhode Island and Connecticut, stating, that information has been received, of the prevalence of the Cholera Morbus at St. Petersburg, and elsewhere, in the north of Europe, and that this board have deemed it expedient to subject all vessels coming from the Baltic, Kattegat (including Gothenburg) Riga, Dantzic & Archangel or any port or place on the Elbe, and all places known or suspected to be infected, to quarantine.

Quarantine see above entered twice tho' mistake.

Ordered, that all goods, coming from Riga, Dantzic, Archangel, the Kattegat (including Gothenburg) or any port within the Baltic, or any port known or suspected to be infected by a contagious disease (excepting metalic substances, not in packages) shall be landed at Rainsford Island, until the further order of this board.

Quarantine extended.

Ordered, that for the present year, the general quarantine on all vessels which are now liable to perform quarantine be continued until the first day of October next.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Chelsea

Proceedings of the town of Chelsea declaring their acceptance of the act, which passed the Legislature at its last session, entitled "An act in addition to an act, to regulate the administration of justice, within the County of Suffolk, and for other purposes." Read & thereupon ordered, that upon due execution and delivery by the town of Chelsea, or their agents duly authorized, of the deeds and conveyances of the property belonging to the County, according to the terms and provisions of an act, entitled "an act in addition to an act, to regulate the administration of justice, within the County of Suffolk, and for other purposes." The Mayor be and hereby is authorized to make, execute and deliver to the said town, a release of all damages in behalf of the City, on the said town of Chelsea.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Chelsea memorial

Memorial of the town of Chelsea respecting the modification of the act, entitled "An act in addition to an act to regulate the administration of justice, within the County of Suffolk, & for other purposes." Read & committed to the Mayor, Mr Alderman Armstrong, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider & report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up con.d & the Com. Council joined on its part Messrs Richardson, Bigelow & Ellis.

The Mayor communicated a letter which he received from the Mayor of New York, stating, that the authorities of that City, request information in relation to measures, which have been, or may be adopted, by the authorities of this City, to prevent the introduction of the Cholera Morbus; and thus by promoting a good understanding, between the neighbouring commercial cities and towns relative to this subject, to establish a general system calculated to prevent the introduction of this awful scourge into our country.

New York. Mayor's letter Cholera Morbus

Thereupon ordered, That the Mayor be requested to write an answer to said letter, and communicate the proceedings which have been adopted by this board.

Memorial of William Foster, Charles Foster, L. Foster, and Leonard Foster, respecting their land, east of Faneuil Hall Market, and that they are willing to submit to any other location, than that set off to one of them by the Commissioners appointed by the Court, and the conveyance of the City to the others. Read and committed to Aldermen Fannan and Harris, with such as the Common Council may join; (A) with full power to agree with the petitioners upon a sum of money, to be paid to them, for releasing to the City, all their right, title and interest to the premises mentioned in their petition, and all claim and demand which they may have against the City. (B) Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, with an amendment— strike out from A to B, and insert, to consider & report— and Mess.rs Minns, Blake and Haskell are joined.

Foster.

Read and concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the nineteenth day of September, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen except Alderman Oliver.

Rainsford Island buildings.

Order of the common Council appointing Messrs. Wilder, Leighton, with such as the Mayor and Aldermen might join, a committee, with full power, to cause to be erected on Rainsford Island, or elsewhere such buildings as may be required, in consequence of the extension of the quarantine laws; provided however, that the expence of constructing such buildings shall not exceed the sum of two thousand dollars. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, with an amendment, at A. strike out all the words following — and in lieu thereof insert "a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars be appropriated for the purpose of building on Rainsford Island, as may be found necessary, by the Mayor and Aldermen, acting as commissioners of the health department, for the storage & safe keeping of goods, that may be landed from vessels to the quarantine regulations by them established." B. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, with an amendment at B. insert, "and that the sum of nineteen hundred dollars be withdrawn from the reserved fund, and the sum of one hundred dollars, be withdrawn from the appropriation for repairs of public buildings, for the aforesaid object."

Read and concurred

Conc^e of Conf. City Wharf.

The committee of conference, to whom was referred, the order of the City Council, passed March 23^d 1831, and the order of the common Council, passed June 9^th 1831, and the order of the board of Aldermen, passed June 16^th 1831, non concurring the same: All receeding the subject of leasing the City wharf, reported, as their opinion, that this board recede from their vote of non concurrence, and that they concur in the order passed of the Common Council, passed June 9. 1831, and that two more members be added to the original committee, on the part of this board. Read & accepted, and the board recede accordingly, and concur with them in said order, and Aldermen Armstrong and Bent, are added to the committee.

Powder for militia

The committee appointed to provide cartridges and powder, for the militia, for the review the next month, reported, that they have procured powder, and agreed with Henry Steafe, Esq^r to make cartridges, and deliver them, agreeably to law, and custom in such cases provided.

Read and accepted.

Boston & Roxbury Mill Corp^n

Western Ave. (Beacon St.)

The committee to whom was referred a vote of the Boston and Roxbury Mill Corporation, tendering to the City, that part of the Western Avenue, lying between Charles street, and the line near the Toll house, as heretofore agreed on, between the City and that Corporation; provided the City will macadamize the same. Reported, that it ought to be accepted, by the City, on the terms stated in said vote, to be used for a street. Read, accepted and ordered accordingly.

Wenshaw Somerset St.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of David Wenshaw, and others, to have the level of

220. Somerset Street reduced, and the Street widened;—and the remonstrance of Caleb Loring, and others, against the same, reported, that it is inexpedient for the City, to reduce the level of said Street at this time. Read and accepted.

Rice
Wallace
May St.

The committee on the petition of Aaron Rice, in behalf of his wards J. D. Wallace and others, for compensation for damage done and expenses paid in consequence of digging down May Street. Reported, that the Sum of seventy dollars ought to be paid to said Rice, for the use of said minors, owners of said estate in full of all damages in that case sustained by them.

Read and accepted.

Rice
P. Street.

The committee on the petition of Henry L. Rice, and others, praying, that P. Street at South Boston, be continued to the City line. Report, that they have examined the ground over which the road is requested to be continued, in company with the first petitioners, and the City Surveyor, and are of opinion, that it is not expedient, at the present time, to recommend any further measure on the subject, and that the petition be referred to the next board of Aldermen. B. Rufell, for committee.

Read and accepted

Spring Lane
Water st.

Ordered, that Aldermen Armstrong, Farnam, Binney and Harris, be a committee with full power, to make such cess pools as may be requisite to carry off the waste water from the street, beginning at School street, and extending through Spring lane to Water street.

Petition of James A. Austin, to be remuneration for the damage which he has sustained in consequence of being obliged to remove from a building which has been cut off to widen Washington street, near Bromfield street. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong & Binney, to consider and report. 221. Austin Washington St.

Ordered, that the buildings belonging to Philip Wentworth, and which stand within the line of the street, on the land taken to widen Bedford street, agreeably to a resolve of this board, passed on the 5th. instant, be removed, and that Aldermen Russell and Bent, be a committee to carry the same into effect; first giving notice to said Wentworth; and said committee are hereby ~~authorized~~ authorized to agree with said Wentworth respecting the taking down said buildings. Wentworth Bedford St.

The committee to whom was referred, the petition of Simon W. Robinson praying, that the common sewer at the westerly end of Hanover avenue, formerly Methodist alley, may be taken up, and a new & larger one laid, reported, that notice ought to be given in the usual form, for all persons to appear before this board, on monday next, four o'clock P. M. and shew cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. Read, accepted, & ordered accordingly. Robinson Hanover avenue

Petition of David Greenough, to have a projection removed, of about three feet into Washington street, opposite Milk street, owned by the heirs of Shubael Hewes. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong & Binney, to consider & report. Greenough Washington St.

Hall, Thacher et al.

Petition of Jacob Hall, to remunerated for damages in taking his land and building, to widen Thacher street. Read, and committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary, to consider and report.

Howard

The committee on the application of Wheddens Howard, Jnr., for damages to his wagon, in breaking into a well in Doane street - Reported, That he be allowed and paid for the same, seven dollars.

Read and accepted.

Jail & H. of Correction

The committee on the Jail & House of Correction, who were instructed to consider and report, whether it be expedient to adopt any, and if any what measures for the disposal, arrangement, occupancy and improvement of the buildings and other estate, belonging to the County on Leverett street, and now used as a House of Correction; also to consider and report, if any alteration ought to be adopted in the government and dieting of the persons committed to said House, made a report, which was read, and the further consideration of the subject was postponed to the next meeting of this board, and that the usual number of copies be printed for the use of the members of Mobility Council.

Park

(Petition of John C. Park, Secretary of a meeting of Citizens, on Monday, evening, last, ~~week~~, for the use of Faneuil Hall, on Monday evening next, for the purpose of holding a meeting upon the subject of imprisonment for debt.

Read, and the prayer thereof granted.)

(Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the twenty sixth day of September, Anno Domini 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman McCleary.

Rainsford Island.

Ordered, that the committee on Quarantine, be instructed to cause to be erected on Rainsford Island, such buildings as may be found necessary, for the storage and safe keeping of goods, that may be landed pursuant to the quarantine regulations.

Quarantine buildings.

The committee of quarantine report, that in obedience to the late ordinance for the erection of a suitable building on Rainsford Island, for the safe keeping of cargoes of vessels subjected to quarantine, they have contracted with Jotham Rogers, for the erection of a building, to be one hundred and fifty feet long by thirty five feet wide, to be divided by plank partitions, into five parts, the expense not to exceed Six teen hundred dollars. The committee further report, that while said building is in erection there are two buildings on said Island, one seventy five feet by twenty; the other sixty, five by twenty; in which cargoes may be temporily deposited.

Read and accepted.

Public lands. Sale of.

An ordinance to continue in force an ordinance, entitled "An ordinance for the sale of public lands."

Read and passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

224. Petition of Elizabeth Boyle, to be

Boyle Washington St. remunerated for damage in taking down the front of her house to widen Washington Street, Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Prim. Sch. Com. Memorial of the primary School committee, praying, that additional Schools may be provided for the instruction of children who are too old to be admitted to the primary schools, and are not qualified for admission to the grammar schools. Read and thereupon ordered, that the same be referred to the School committee.

Robinson Hanover avenue. It appearing to this board, that notice has been given, agreeably to the order which passed at the last meeting, on the petition of Simon W. Robinson, praying, that the common sewer, in Hanover avenue, formerly Methodist alley, may be taken up, and a new and larger one laid. And now no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered, that the prayer of said petition be granted, and the expense thereof assessed according to law.

Breed Dock square. It appearing to this board, that Ebenezer Breed, and his tenants have been duly notified agreeably to an order of this board, passed on the sixth day of July last, respecting the widening of Dock Square, by taking land of said Breed, for that purpose, & the time appointed for taking down the building being postponed, at the request of said Breed. Thereupon ordered, that Aldermen Tarnam & Harris, be a committee, with full power to remove that part of the building which stands in the street so laid out, & to make an agreement to rebuild the front of said store, after it shall be cut off.

Petition of Samuel Topliff, & Others, to have steps removed from certain houses on Washington ~~street~~ place. Read and committed to Aldermen Tarnam & Harris, to consider and report. 225. Topliff Washington place.

The board agreeably to assignment took into consideration the report of the committee on the Jail and House of Correction, to whom was referred, an order of the board of Aldermen, of 4th May, instructing them, "to consider and report, whether it be expedient to adopt any, & if any, what measures, for the disposal, arrangement, occupancy and improvement of the buildings, and other estate, belonging to the County, in Leverett street, and now used as a house of Correction; also, to consider and report if any alteration ought to be adopted in the government and diet of the persons committed to said House" Jail & House of Correction.

Ordered, That the committee on the Jail and House of Correction, be directed to report, what in their opinion, should constitute the rations for the support of the prisoners in said House, and the terms upon which they can be supplied. —

Ordered, That the same committee be directed to report, what sum ought to be paid to the Master of the House of Correction, as an annual salary for his services.

Ordered, That the same committee be directed to report what sum ought to be paid for the support of a Chaplain, to be employed in said House.

Ordered, That the same committee cause an estimate to be made of the cost of a building upon the plan reported by them, & lay the same before this board

Read, accepted, & the orders passed; & it was ordered, that the same be published in the newspapers. —

226.

Tyler

Petition of Brigadier General John S. Tyler, and others, officers of militia, that a place may be provided, to deposit their cartridges, and that the roof of Faneuil Hall may be repaired. Read and committed to the Committee on the fire department, to consider & report.

Perkins
Pearl St.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas H. Perkins, and others, praying, that Pearl street be macadamized. — Reported, that said street be placed on a list for macadamized the next paving season. Read and accepted.

Land Com.rs
Dedham St

The Commissioner for the sale of public lands, reports, that he has received an offer from an individual for the purchase of a lot of land on Dedham street. Read & committed to Aldermen Kupel and Bent, to consider & report.

French
Sudbury St.

Ordered, that Aldermen Farnam & Harris, be and hereby are authorized to remove that part of the building belonging to the heirs of Abraham French, which stands within the line of Sudbury Street, as laid out by a resolve of this board, passed on the 11.th of July last.

Piper
Sea street.

The committee of the Southern district report, that they have received information, that Solomon Piper Esq. has erected the frame of a building in Sea street, without having given notice to this board of his intention so to do; & which building is an encroachment on said street, & recommend, that the City Marshal be directed to take such measures in the premises the Mayor may order. Read, accepted & ordered accordingly.

The committee to whom was referred, the subject of trespass of Cyprus Alger, upon the South Boston, free bridge — Report — That on examination of s.d trespass, and conversation with said Alger, they are satisfied, that said Alger had no intention of committing a trespass on the property, or any infraction of the ordinances of the City. That said Alger was in an error in not conforming to the requisition of giving proper notice of his intention to build; and in removing the railing from the bridge without permission — That said Alger has erected his building partly on his own premises, and partly on the channel which belongs to the Commonwealth. But since said Alger has removed the railing and staging from the foot passage, which incumbered the same at the time the last committee examined the trespass, the annoyance is abated, and the building erected by said Alger now forms sufficient protection for safety and convenience to the public — The committee therefore recommend, that all further proceedings against said Alger for trespass on the City's property be suspended, and that the City Clerk notify the County Att.y of said trespass on the channel which belongs to the Commonwealth, and which this City has no jurisdiction.

Free bridge. Alger.

All which is respectfully submitted. Benj.a Rupell, Henry Fannam, Adam Bent. } Com.ee

Read and accepted.

Ordered, that the penalty of the bonds to be given by Physicians to whom dead bodies shall be given for dispection, agreeably to the late law, providing for the protection of the ~~dead~~ Sepulchres of the dead shall be five hundred dollars, & that the several boards of Overseers of the Poor, & Directs of the House of Industry be notified of the same.

Penalty of bonds

Adjourned to Monday, next, 4 o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the third day of October, Anno Domini, 1831. —

Present —

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Boston & Lowell Rail way.

On the memorial of the Boston and Lowell Rail road company, in relation to the terminus of their road, the following Order came up for concurrence. —

Order of the common Council appointing Messrs. Eveleth, Lawrence, Robbins, Parker and Flint, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee (A) with full powers to make such arrangements with and grant such privileges to the Boston and Lowell Rail road Corporation as in their opinion the interests of the City may dictate; provided, that the assent of two thirds of said committee manifested by their signatures shall be necessary to render valid any arrangement or agreement, which said committee may make (B).

Concurred with an amendment, strike out from A to B, and in lieu thereof insert "to consider the expediency of alienating the flats appurtenant to the City wharf near Lovells Shed to the Boston and Lowell rail road Corporation, the provisions that would be necessary to be made for the persons confined in the house of Correction; in that event, and to ascertain on what terms an arrangement can be made with said Corporation for their accommodation, & to report the same to the City Council"; and the Mayor & Aldermen Oliver, Armstrong and Kupfell are joined.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petition of Joseph Lewis, and others, to have Ann street widened, commencing at the north line of building numbered 135, and extending to Richmond Street. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary, to consider and report. Said committee afterwards reported, that the whole board view the premises, tomorrow morning nine o'clock. Read, accepted & ordered accordingly. Lewis — Ann St.

Order of the Common Council committing the message of the Mayor respecting the cession by the town of Chelsea, to the City, of their right, title and interest in the City property, the purchase of a new site for County Buildings — the laying out a new street through the County lands, from Court to School streets, and sale of the lots thereon — and the sale of the City wharf, to Messrs. Stevens, Robbins, James, Bigelow, and Waters, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, & the Mayor, Aldermen Farnam, Binney and Harris are joined. Chelsea

Memorial of Samuel Hammond & praying to be reimbursed the moneys expended by him in defending himself in the suit of Tyler, which resulted in the recovery by the plaintiffs of a portion of certain lands sold to him by the City, with a warranty of title — and also to be remunerated for services rendered by him, and for the amount paid by him to the plaintiffs, for a release of their titles. Read and referred to the City Solicitor. Hammond

Petition of Charles Henshaw, and others, to have Second Street opened and accepted. Read and committed to Aldermen Rupell and Bent, to consider & report. Henshaw — Second St.

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Williams Ann St. & Mill Creek.

Petition of John D. Williams and others, praying, that a part of a building belonging to Isaac Cook Esquire, at the corner of the Mill Creek and Ann street be removed; for the purpose of widening said street. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report.

North Bennett Street.

The committee of the Northern district ask leave to represent to the board of Aldermen, as Surveyors of highways, that there are in Bennet Street, in Ward No. 1, two flights of door steps, projecting into the street about three feet, leaving but a passage way, for foot passengers of two feet on the side walk; one belonging to the mansion house of Ephraim Snow, and the other to Thomas Thompson and William Mackay, that the expence of setting the same in, so as to allow a projection of one foot only, into the street, will be about eighty dollars, for the two flights, and as in many instances the City have been under similar circumstances willing to defray one half the expence; the committee ask leave to be authorized, to make the same offer to the said proprietors.

Read, accepted, and ordered accordingly.

Gould's Circular plan Railway.

Application of J. Gould, that he may be permitted to exhibit his Circular pleasure rail way on the Common, and that two hundred and thirty yards in circumstance may be allotted for that purpose. Read & committed to the committee on the Common & Malls, to consider and report.

Cockayne West Centre & Myrtle Streets.

Petition of Abigail Cockayne, to be remunerated for damage to her estate at the corner of West Centre & Myrtle streets, in consequence of reducing the level thereof. Read & committed to Aldermen Armstrong & Prince, to consider & report.

Petition of Joseph Hay, and others, praying, that Bridge street, be accepted by the City. Read & committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report. — Hay Bridge St.

The committee on the petition of David Greenough, to have removed a projection to a building adjoining Province house, on Washington street, belonging to the heirs of Shubael Howes, deceased. Reported, that the prayer of said petition ought not to be granted. Greenough Washington St.

Read and accepted.

The committee of the Southern district report, that they have this day examined the scores made in April last, in the posts of the northern part of the Free bridge, to ascertain how much, if any, said posts may have settled in the course of six months, and found that the second western post had settled two and an half inches; the next post eastward, two inches, the next, one and a half inches, and the fourth post, one inch; from these facts, the committee are of opinion, that no further measures are necessary to be taken in the premises the present season, & recommend that the above scores be again examined, the ensuing spring. Free Bridge

B. Rupell, for committee.

Read and accepted.

The committee on the report of the Commissioner, for the sale of public lands, that he has been offered, ten cents per foot, for a lot of land twenty five feet by ninety on the new street next south of Dedham street. Reported, that the same be accepted. Read & accepted, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute a deed accordingly. Land Comr. Dedham St.

232.

Palmer Clinton St.

Petition of Ezra Palmer, and others, to have the line of Clinton street preserved. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report.

Land Com'r Tremont St.

The Commissioner for the sale of public lands communication, stating, that the commissioners for the County of Norfolk, have decided, that Tremont street should be extended from the boundary line of the City, to Carlton's Morocco factory in Roxbury, intersecting the old road, which leads to Brookline; Worcester Turnpike, Brighton &c. which co operates with the board of Aldermen, paped in July last, & which establishes a new and very important avenue to the City, paping over nearly one mile of land, belonging to the City. The whole line of the new street thus laid out is two miles & six rods.

Read and sent down.

Smith Deacon St.

The committee on the notice of Ebenezer Smith, of his intention of building on Friend street, opposite Deacon street reported, that Deacon street ought to be continued through said Smith's land. Read, accepted, and thereupon resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that Deacon street be continued from Sudbury street to Merrimac street, and the same is hereby laid out and extended, in manner following viz: Beginning at the westerly corner of a dwelling house belonging to Washington Munroe, on Friend street; thence running northeasterly by land of said Munroe, one hundred, four feet, eleven inches to Merrimac street; thence running westerly by said Merrimac street, until it comes to a point forty feet distant from land of said Munroe measuring at

right angles from the first described line; thence running, southwesterly parallel with the first described line; and forty feet distant therefrom to Friend Street; thence southeasterly forty feet by said Friend Street to the place of beginning.

Taking from land belonging to said Ebenezer Smith, three thousand, five hundred and forty five square feet according to a plan taken by S. P. Fuller, and land belonging to the City, one hundred and sixty one and a half square feet.

The Mayor's message, announcing his intention to decline a re-election to said office. Mayor declines a re election.

Came up from the Common Council.

Read & placed on file.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the tenth day of October, Anno Domini, 1831.—

Present.

The whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Fannan.

Chairman pro tem.

The Mayor being absent by reason of indisposition, the board proceeded by ballot to the choice of a Chairman pro tempore, and the votes being taken, it appeared, that Alderman Oliver was chosen.

Representatives number of

A message was received from the Common Council proposing a Convention of the City Council, to decide upon the number of Representatives, on Thursday evening the 20th instant, at half past seven o'clock.—

Read and thereupon ordered, that a message be sent to inform the Common Council, that this board do concur with them in the proposition to form a Convention at the time and for the purpose above expressed.

Quarantine

The committee on quarantine gave notice, that a signal has this day been made by the Resident Physician, that yesterday a barque, supposed to be the Pallas from Cronstadt, on entering the outer harbour, hove too for a Pilot, and on being informed by the Pilot of the existence of quarantine, made signal for another pilot and bore off for Marblehead. The Chairman was instructed to transmit a letter to the Selectmen of Marblehead, to make them acquainted with the case, who forthwith addressed a letter by mail.—

The committee of Quarantine on the application of George P. Tewksbury, Boatman, for an increase of wages reported (as on file) and the following order

Ordered, that after the first day of the present month, the wages of George P. Tewksbury, Boatman, on the quarantine establishment, be at the rate of forty dollars per month.

Read, accepted, and the order passed. Quarantine Boatman's wages.

The joint committee to whom was referred the application of James Hall, and Robert T. Paine, proposing to treat with the City government, for the transfer of the franchise of the South bridge, and various memorials and remonstrances in support of, and opposition to the acceptance of the same, by the City - Reported, as on file, accompanied with the following order, viz: Ordered, that there be paid to the proprietors of the Boston South bridge, the sum of twenty five hundred dollars, in full, whenever their right & franchise in said bridge shall be transferred to the City, free of all debts and incumbrances, by such conveyances as the City Solicitor under instructions from the Mayor and Aldermen, shall devise, and the Treasurer is hereby authorized & directed to hire said amount for such term of time, and at such rate of interest as the committee of finance may approve. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred with an amendment, as A insert "That the acceptance by the proprietors of said bridge of said sum and terms be signified in writing to the Mayor and Aldermen, within thirty days, from the final passage of this order." The following members voting in the affirmative viz: Ald. Oliver, Armstrong, Rupell McCleary, Bent, Binney & Harris. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Boston South bridge.

Bond Summer St.

Petition of George Bond, and others, to have Summer street, further widened by taking a piece of land belonging to the estate of Henry Hill, Esq. deceased, for that purpose: Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, to consider and report.

Houses of Industry & Reformation.

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs. Stevens and Bigelow a committee on its part, to confer with such committee as may be appointed on the part of this board, on the subject matter of difference between the two boards upon the order referring the last annual report of the Directors of the Houses of Industry and Reformation. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Armstrong and Bent are appointed on the part of this board.

Topliff Washington place.

The committee, to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Topliff and others, praying, that certain steps, jutting W. L. Clark and C. Loring's estate on Fort hill be removed: Report, That when said steps were erected, they were in accordance with the laws of the State & Town, they therefore know of no power, at this time to remove them without the consent of the owners. They have had a consultation with Mr. Clark one of owners who peremptorily refuses to have his steps removed; but advises another remedy, to wit, the widening of the foot walk, for which said Clark offers to pay the expense before his own house, and the next, belonging to Loring's heirs. The committee therefore recommend to the owners of the estates south of the Hill, on Washington place, if they feel themselves annoyed by said steps, that they cause said foot walk to be widened, as there is width enough in the street to do it, without any essential injury to the same; provided always, that they do it at their own expense, without any loss to the City.

For the committee Henry Farnam. Read and accepted.

Petition of Robert G. Shaw, praying, that the common sewer in Ann Street, in front of No. 12 1/2, may be repaired in such a manner as to prevent the tide water flowing into his cellar. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report. Shaw. Ann St.

The committee on the petition of Ephraim Tufts, and others, claiming damages in taking their land, to widen Union Street, reported, that they have been unable to agree with the petitioners on any terms for the land thus taken, and they recommend, that they go to a Jury for their damages.

Read and accepted. Tufts. Union Street.

The committee on the petition of Ezra Palmer, and others, to have the line of Clinton Street, preserved — Reported, that the public safety and convenience require that Clinton Street, be continued to Commercial Street, & the obstructions removed. Read and accepted, and thereupon —

Resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that said Street be continued and laid out in manner following, viz: Beginning on Clinton Street, at the northerly side of the stores on North Market Street, the easterly end of the street laid out, March 10. 1828, thence running easterly by the northerly side of said stores to Commercial Street, thence running northeasterly by said Commercial Street, until it comes to the line of the front of the block of stores lately erected on said Clinton Street; thence running westerly by a line parallel with said first described line, and forty feet distant therefrom to the easterly end of said Clinton Street as laid out March 10. 1828, thence running southerly to the place of beginning — Being the continuation of Clinton Street, as laid out as aforesaid. — Palmer. Clinton St.

Petition of John K. Simpson & others to have sheds removed from the north side of Faneuil Hall. Read & committed to the committee on the market, to consider & report. Simpson.

House of Correction Master's salary.

The committee of the Jail & House of Correction, to whom was referred an order, of this board directing them to report what sum ought to be paid to the Master of the House of Correction, as an annual salary for his services, have considered that subject, and ask leave to report, that the Master of the House of Correction ought to be paid the sum of twelve hundred dollars, a year, in quarterly payments in full for his services as Master of said House; and that no fees or perquisites ought to be allowed, by which said compensation should be increased.

For the committee: Sam. T. Armstrong.

Read & accepted.

Gray non compos mentis.

A requisition of the Judge of Probate, of the County of Suffolk, that inquisition be made upon Eliza Gray, of the City of Boston, singlewoman, who has been represented by her sister and brethern, Mary Ann Yates, John Gray, 2nd. and Frederick T. Gray, as a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself, that the same may be certified to said Judge in order, that a Guardian may be appointed to her, according to law. Read and thereupon ordered, That the said Eliza be notified to appear before this board, on monday, next, four o'clock. P. M. and shew cause, if any she have, why she should not be declared non compos mentis as aforesaid. —

Kendall, Spendthrift.

A complaint having been made to this board, that William T. Kendall of Boston, laborer, does by excessive drinking, and idleness so spend, waste & lessen his estate as thereby to expose himself to want & suffering circumstances, and is likely to endanger the City to a charge

for his maintenance and support. Wherefore they pray, that a complaint be made to the Judge of Probate, that a Guardian may be appointed to said Kendall according to law. And, now the board are of opinion, that the allegations set forth in said complaint are true; accordingly a complaint was made out and signed to be presented to the Judge of Probate.

Lowell Rail road.

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of Patrick T. Jackson, Agent for the Lowell Rail road Corporation made a report, which was read and accepted in Common Council, and the following orders passed:

Ordered, that the City government will transfer & convey to the Lowell Rail Road Corporation, all their right, title and interest in and to the flats contiguous & appurtenant to the wharf and land, attached to the prison and House of Correction in Leverett street, on the following conditions.

First. The said Corporation shall pay to the City a consideration therefor, to be agreed upon between them & the committee who make this report (or if they cannot agree) to be fixed by the award of three disinterested & judicious persons, to be mutually nominated and appointed by said committee and said Corporation.

Second. The said rail road shall be extended from some place or point on the Charlestown side of the river, over the same to some place or point in the City west of Warren Bridge, and one of the terminations of said rail road, and also the principal place of deposit of said Corporation shall be within the City.

Third. The water communication with said wharf, either as it now is, or by means of a sufficient drawer through sd. rail road shall be kept open for the space of one year if

240. So long required, during which time free egress and regress shall be preserved for all vessels and boats coming to or going from the said wharf with their lading.

Ordered, That the House of Correction as soon as suitable provision can be made therefor, be transferred to the City land at South Boston. That the Committee whose report is now pending before the City Council upon the subject of the House of Correction, be requested to inquire into the expediency of converting the building, or any part of it now occupied as a House of Reformation into a House of Correction, and to prepare estimates & plans of such alterations as may be necessary for that purpose, and also estimates of the expense of a new building for that purpose, & to report their opinion upon the result of such investigation of the comparative advantage of altering the old or erecting a new building.

Ordered, That the same committee be requested to take measures to ascertain whether any, and if any what sum can be raised by voluntary subscription, to be applied for erecting a House of Reformation, in aid of such fund as the City Government may be disposed to appropriate to that object.

Came up for concurrence. Read and after discussion, the question was taken separately upon each order, and they passed in concurrence with the Common Council.

Curtis

Petition of Thomas B. Curtis, & others, merchants & owners of vessels & merchandize from ports & places in the Baltic, praying, that those vessels may be permitted to come up from the Island without discharging their cargoes, when the crews & passengers are found in good health, after being examined by the Resident Physician. Read & referred to the Committee on quarantine; to consider and report.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the seventeenth day of October, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present—

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Mechanic Rifle Corps.

The committee to whom was referred the application of the Mechanic Rifle corps, for the use of an Armory in Faneuil Hall—reported, the following order, viz:

Ordered, that until the further order of the board, the Mechanic Rifle company be authorized to use the Armory now occupied by the Light Dragoons, in participation with said Dragoons, and that the Ward companies, located in the vicinity of Faneuil Hall, be allowed to use the Lobby in said Hall attached to the room of the Directors of the house of Industry, as a deposite for their accoutrements.

City Sol's Papage way.

Communication from the City Solicitor respecting a right that the City has to an ancient papage way, four feet wide leading from Ann street, near North square to the Sea, now Commercial street. Read, and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, with instructions to call upon the City Solicitor, for his opinion in relation to the same.

Lewis Ann St.

Ordered, that the petition of Joseph Lewis, and others, to have Ann street widened near Richmond street, & the report of the committee upon the same, be referred to the next board of Aldermen.

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Davis
Fremont St.

Petition of James Davis, and others, praying, that the width of their side walks may be determined in front of their new block of houses on Fremont Street, near West street, and that the common sewer lately laid in the latter street be accepted by the City. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider and report.

Auditor-
Apesors.

Communication of the Auditor of accounts inclosing an account of the Apesors, for their services in taking the State valuation, agreeably to an act of the Legislature of the 19th. of March last. Read and referred to the committee on accounts, with authority to make such allowance as they may deem reasonable. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Grant
South Boston.

Communication of Moses Grant, stating, that a piece of land at South Boston, of about seven acres, will be given for the erection of a new home for juvenile delinquents; provided, that by private subscription or appropriation made by the City government a sufficient sum shall be obtained to erect and complete suitable buildings for that institution. Read and committed to the committee on the Jail and House of Correction to consider & report.

Shaw
Ann St.

The committee on the petition of Robert G. Shaw, respecting a common sewer in Ann street, reported, that the work is now progressing under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets, at the expense of the Petitioner.

Read and accepted.

Petition of Rufus Davenport, Davenport.
praying aid to "an institution under the name of Right aim School, to reform law and custom on debt, art, trade &c. on the first principles of right." Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Russell, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Minns, Prescott and Waters. —

It appearing to this board, that Gray
notice has been given to Eliza Gray, agreeably to the order non compos mentis.
passed at the last meeting of this board. And now after the examination of a witness, and the reading the Certificate of Dr. Wyman, Superintendent of the McLean Asylum, the board are of opinion, and do adjudge the said Eliza to be a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself, and the same was certified to the Judge of Probate of the County of Suffolk, in order that a Guardian may be appointed to her according to law.

The committee on the petition of George Shattuck
C. Shattuck, in relation to an iron fence and lighting a lamp Cambridge St.
in Cambridge Street, near Hanover Street — Report, that the public will not be inconvenienced by granting leave to Dr. Shattuck, to erect his fence as prayed for subject however to the pleasure of this board. They recommend, that leave be granted him to place his iron fence as explained on the plan, to be removed at his expense when thereto required by the board of Aldermen. They further report, that Dr. Shattuck is desirous of erecting a suitable post, and a lamp thereon to be lighted with gas, and that he is willing and ready to pay the difference between the expense of lighting such a lamp for burning oil, & the committee recommend a compliance with his request

244 on the condition above expressed. For the committee.
Sam. L. Armstrong.
Read and accepted.

Curtis
Quarantine
vessels from
Baltic.

The committee of quarantine, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas B. Curtis and others, merchants, engaged in common with the owners of the Baltic, praying that their vessels and property may be released from quarantine after a proper observation by the Health Physician, and in cases where the crews are in good health, that the cargoes be not disturbed. Reported, that the prayer of the petitioners may be so far granted, that vessels from uninfected Countries, and which have not touched at any infected port, having clean bills of health may be permitted to pass to the City with their cargoes undisturbed, after a proper observation of the Resident Physician. Read and accepted, and that said committee have full power in the premises.

Quarantine.

The committee of quarantine, reported, that the feathers and furs which had been landed from the Brig Byron, should be discharged on Tuesday next, from the Store, under the direction of the Resident Physician. That feathers and furs have been stored and aired, for nearly three weeks. The bales containing the furs have been opened. The committee are of opinion, that a shed ought to be erected, for the preservation of the materials landed on the Island. The committee found the entire establishment in good order; the damage sustained by the gales of the new Store now being built, from the late gale of wind, has been repaired; and the boarding of it has been commenced.
For the committee. Benj. Rupell.
Read and accepted.

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of George Bond, and others, claiming that a certain piece of land belonging to Henry Hill's heirs on Summer street should be cut off to widen Summer street. Report, That said Bond, and others, have no claim upon the City for the same. The committee would however remark, that if said contemplated improvement was carried into effect it would add very much to the beauty of the street, & the buildings in the neighbourhood, but this they consider an individual benefit confined to the location, which it would be manifestly unjust to tax other parts of the City to pay for. The committee would further remark, that part of said land is really wanted for the improvement of the City, Provided, three thousand and seventy feet of land is cut off and thrown into the street as mentioned in the report, and they would recommend that the City should allow and pay one thousand dollars for a part of the expense required to carry the same into effect. Read accepted & ordered accordingly. Bond Summer St.

The committee on the petition of Taylor and Gop, for a reduction of rent of cellar under City Hall, reported, that they have leave to withdraw their petition. Read and accepted. Taylor & Gop.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of John D. Williams, and others, for the removal of the projection of a brick building, projecting into Ann Street, belonging to Isaac Cook, and also the cutting off said building on the Creek side, made a report, which was read & accepted, and thereupon resolved, that the public safety & convenience require, that Ann Street, be widened, and the Williams Ann St.

same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following viz.: Beginning on Ann street at the northwesterly corner of the brick building belonging to Samuel Curtis; from thence running northerly by a straight line in continuation of the front line of said Curtis's building fourteen feet, more or less, to Creek or Canal street; thence westerly by said street four feet nine inches, to the present line of said Ann street; thence southerly by Ann street, fourteen feet, more or less; thence easterly four feet ten inches to the place of beginning, taking sixty four square feet of land, from said Cook, according to a plan taken by S. D. Fuller. Also That said Creek street be widened by taking a piece of land from said Cook, represented to be enclosed, fifty six square feet — beginning at the north east corner of said Cook's brick house on Creek street; thence running easterly by a line in the direction to the northwesterly corner of the new brick stable of S. D. Williams, Esq. measuring on this line eighteen feet ten inches, to land of the City of Boston; thence running northerly three feet, three inches to the present line of said Creek or Canal street; thence westerly by said present line eighteen feet eleven inches; thence southerly two feet eight inches to the place of beginning.

Mer. Wh. & Ware Co. new st

Petition of the Mercantile Wharf Corporation praying that a new street thirty feet wide be opened from Ann street to Fulton street. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary, to consider & report.

Hall Guard. Mary st

Petition of Jonathan P. Hall, Guardian of Mary Jackson, to be remunerated for the damage to her estate in consequence of Mary Street's being dug down in front of her house. Read & committed to Ald. Armstrong & Binney, to consider and report.

Adjourned to Thursday next, seven o'clock P. M.

At a special meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Wednesday, the nineteenth day of October, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present—

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Tarbell and Bent.

Mer. Whf. Corp.
now Street.

Lewis St.

The committee on the petition of the Mercantile Wharf Corporation, praying, that a Street, thirty feet wide be laid out from Inn Street to Commercial Street, made a verbal report, that the public safety & convenience require, that said street should be laid out as aforesaid, & it also appears, that all the owners of the land through which said street will pass, have ~~consented~~ consented to the same except Thomas Thompson, who now appears and does not object to the laying out said street—

Whereupon resolved, that the public safety and convenience require said street to be laid out, and the same is hereby laid out in manner following viz:—

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Thursday the twentieth day of October, Anno Domini, 1831. —

Present —

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Farnam. —

In Convention.

Representatives number.

Agreeably to appointment a Convention of the City Council was held in the Common Council Chamber, for the purpose of determining upon the number of Representatives, it may be expedient to send to the next General Court.

The Mayor produced and read a certificate from the Assessors, certifying that the rated polls for the year 1831, is 13618, which entitles the City to send Sixty.

The question being taken it was determined that the number shall be sixty.

The business of the Convention being accomplished the two boards separated.

Eastburn. Faneuil Hall

Petition of John W. Eastburn, Secretary of the National County and Ward committees, in behalf of the National Republicans, for the use of Faneuil Hall, for a public meeting of the Citizens, on the evening preceding the second monday of November next — and the petition of Thomas P. Oddell and others, for the use of said Hall on the same evening.

Read, and upon the question being taken upon the first mentioned petition, and it was decided in the affirmative. —

The committee of Conference, on the part of the board of Aldermen, report, that they have met the committee on the part of the Common Council, on the subject of difference between the two branches, on the order instructing the committee to whom was referred, the fifth annual reports of the Directors of the Houses of Industry and Reformation, to consider the expediency of converting the House of Reformation into a house of Correction, for older delinquents, & of erecting a new House of Reformation; and it was agreed that the Common Council do recede from their vote, now concurring with the board of Aldermen in the order; that the same be referred to the committee who have under consideration, the application of the Boston & Lowell Rail road Corporation, and that they do concur with said board in said order. Which report was accepted, and this Board concurs with the Common Council, after reconsidering their former vote.

H. of Industry & Reformation.

Ordered, that Alderman Oliver be authorized to permit Mr. Coffin, to occupy the African school house, evenings, for the instruction of people of Colour; provided the African master does not wish to use the same.

African Sch. House.

Adjourned to Monday, next, four o'clock, P. M.

IN a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the twenty fourth day of October, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Roxbury lines

Ordered, That the Mayor be requested, to write to the Selectmen of Roxbury, and invite them to meet the board of Aldermen, on the third day of November next, at eleven o'Clock, A. M. on the line of Washington street, where it joins Roxbury, for the purpose of perambulating and running the line between said town and this City.

Deacon Street.

Ordered, That Alderman Oliver & M^r Cleary, be a committee, with instruction to cause to be removed a small two story wooden building, from the lines of Deacon st. as recently laid out, by this board. And that notice be given to Ebenezer Smith, Esq. that the same will be done on or before the twenty fourth day of the ensuing month.

Engine No. 3.

Communication from the Chief Engineer of the fire department, respecting the misconduct of several members of the fire department, attached to Engine No. 3, for disobedience of orders, at a recent fire, at South Boston. Read and committed, to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

Potter Ventriloquist.

Application of Richard Potter, to be licensed as a ventriloquist, at Concert Hall. Read and the prayer thereof granted, for six nights, on paying therefor, two dollars, per night.

Petition of John B. Jones, praying for leave to construct the platform of the cellar door to his building No. 123 Washington street, wider than the law permits, so as to admit certain casks and cases, the same only being required to be opened occasionally. Read & committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Binney, to consider & report. — 251. Jones. Washington St.

Requisition of the Judge of Probate of the County of Suffolk, that inquisition be made as to the state of mind of Sally Page, alias Sally McDermott, who has been represented by John Wade, Junior, of Cambridge, as a person non compos mentis. Read and thereupon ordered, that the said Sally, be notified to appear before this board, on Monday next, 4 o'Clock, P. M. and shew cause, if any she have, why she should not be declared non compos mentis as aforesaid, in order that a Guardian be appointed according to law. Page. non compos mentis.

The committee on the petition of Otis Vinal, Guardian of Eunice Bowker, and others, to have the common sewer in Leverett place taken up and repaired: Reported that the usual order of notice be issued. Read, accepted, and thereupon ordered, that public notice be given to all persons interested to appear before this board, and shew cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted, on monday next, 4 o'Clock, P. M. Vinal Leverett place.

Notice of William M. Guild of his intention of building on the Mill brook. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report. Guild Mill brook.

Thayer Tomb No. 3

Petition of Joel Thayer, and others, Proprietors of Tomb No. 3, in the Boston Cemetery, praying to have the money which they have paid for said tomb, some years since, refunded; the original plan not having been carried into effect. Read and committed to the committee on burial grounds with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and Messrs. Gill, Hatch and Chesman are joined.

Lewis Inn Street.

The board reconsider their former vote, on the report of the committee on the petition of Joseph Lewis and others, to have Inn Street widened, on the easterly side thereof near Richmond Street. Thereupon resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that Inn Street be widened, and the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following viz.: Beginning at the northerly corner of the northeasterly brick building, belonging to Robert G. Shaw, on the easterly side of said Inn Street, and from thence running northeasterly one hundred and forty five feet, by a straight line through a point eight feet southeasterly from the northerly corner of the house belonging to Mr. Gould; from thence running a little more easterly about sixty five feet to the westerly corner of a brick house belonging to Gordon, adjoining the City Slip. Taking from John Hooton, two hundred ninety six square feet of land; from Nathaniel Keith, four hundred ninety nine square feet of land; according to a plan taken by S. P. Fuller, dated December 1826.

Kupfell Buffalo &c.

Application of John Kupfell, for a license to exhibit a Buffalo, and other animals in the rear of No. 7, Marshall Street. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report.

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of Francis B. Fay, and others, in behalf of certain proprietors of land in Chelsea adjacent to Winnisimet ferry, with full power to agree upon and ascertain the legal rights of the City & of the parties who claim Winnisimet ferry, and to make a final settlement of the conflicting claims upon such equitable terms as may seem proper and expedient, attended to that service, and submit the following statement of facts -

Upon the examination of the ancient deeds and documents relative to the ferry from Boston to Chelsea and upon consultation with the City Solicitor, the committee are satisfied, that the right and title to the land & ferry on the Boston side are in the City - and that the right and title to the land and ferry on the Chelsea side are in those claiming under Henry Williams, deceased.

That in ancient times the City leased from term to term, their part of the ferry to the proprietors of the other part of it, for an inconsiderable rent. But of late years the regular ferry has been interrupted & discontinued except only an occasional use of it by the proprietors on the other side, and circumstances are so changed by the erection of bridges to Charlestown and Chelsea, that unless the City should incur an expense and charge, which it is not for its interest to do, it will not be available for any purpose of public accommodation.

That the said proprietors now propose with suitable encouragement to provide one or more steam boats to ply at said ferry; and in that event, great convenience would probably result to the Inhabitants of the northerly section, and to the Citizens and public at large.

That the said enterprize will be attended with great expense and some risk to the proprietors,

and is worthy of reasonable encouragement, and they have therefore
opened verbally with the proprietors to make with them an
agreement on the following principles, for which however they
request the approbation of the City government, their full powers
notwithstanding.

First. The City government will lease to the said proprietors or their trustees, all their rights and interest in the lands and ferry on the Boston side, for the space of thirty years, for a rent of five dollars per annum, and renew the same for a further term of thirty years, and so afterwards from ten years to ten years, forever, and at the end of each term of years, three arbitrators shall be appointed by the City, and the proprietors to determine upon an annual rent to be paid to the City upon principles of equity and justice.

Second. The proprietors to receive the lease, with condition, that they in a reasonable time procure one or more steam boats suitable for horses, carriages and passengers, and keep the same regularly plying between Boston and Chelsea during every season throughout said term, and shall also build & keep in good and sufficient repair the ferry way leading to the river on the Boston side, and that the said ferry way and dock appurtenant shall be appropriated exclusively for the purposes of said ferry.

Third. That if at any time within five years from the delivery of the lease, the said proprietors shall elect to pay to the City, the sum of five thousand dollars, the City will thereupon release and convey to said proprietors and their assigns, all their right and title in the lands and ferry to be held by them in fee.

And the Committee respectfully submit the following order, which is submitted. W. S. Otis, their order.

Ordered, That the committee on the petition of Francis B. Fay, and others, be and they are

hereby empowered to conclude an agreement for the lease, & for the eventual sale of the City's right and title to Winnisimet ferry, on the principles contained in the foregoing report, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute and deliver to the said Francis B. Fay, and Others, or their assigns such deeds and conveyances as may be necessary to carry the same into effect. Read and accepted, in Common Council, and the Order Passed. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

John S. Tyler and William C. Tyler licensed as Auctioneers. — Auctioneers.

Ordered, That the plan of the City taken by John G. Wales, agreeably to a resolve of the Legislature be returned to the Secretary's office. Plan of City.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the thirty first day of October, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Farnam.

Page non compos mentis.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given to Sally Page, otherwise called Sally McDermott, agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting of this board. And now the said Sally appears, and after a full hearing and the examination of divers credible witnesses on oath, the board, are of opinion, and do adjudge the said Sally to be a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself, and the same was certified accordingly, in order that the Judge of Probate may appoint a Guardian to her according to law.

Overseers of Poor safe.

Ordered, That Alderman Oliver and Russell be instructed to cause to be placed in the office of the overseers of the poor, a safe, for the security of certain papers in their office; and also to place a dozen pair of fire buckets in the lower entry of Faneuil Hall, for the security against fire in that building.

Ann Street.

Ordered, That the committee of the northern district be instructed to cause to be removed the buildings standing on land lately taken to widen Ann street, from Robert G. Shaw's building to Richmond street.

Common fence.

Ordered, That the committee on the Common and Malls be instructed to cause to be removed the inner fence in the Common.

Higginson

The joint committee on the petition of James F. Higginson, and others, have attended to that subject, and respectfully present the following statement. The Petitioners solicit recompence for damages sustained in digging down, levelling and otherwise altering the street, formerly called Olive (now Summer street), and compelling his father the then proprietor, to incur heavy expenses in the alteration and repairs of his houses, which amount to the sum of five hundred forty six dollars, fourteen cents, as appears by vouchers exhibited to the committee - and he also claims interest on the amount from the time of the commencement of his bills 1 January 1824 - This interest computed to the 31 August 1830, is two hundred eighteen dollars and forty cents Total to that date $764.54. The street was ordered as stated in the petition; and the sum paid by the proprietors is regularly vouched. The petitioners father (now deceased) applied to the City government for compensation, soon after the repairs were effected. But as other persons, having claims resting on the same foundations, had put them in train for legal adjudication, the petitioners ancestor willing to wait that issue, permitted his petition to remain on the files of the Mayor & Aldermen. Subsequently, such proceedings were had, that the Mayor & Aldermen thought it expedient to compromise the claims of other persons in similar circumstances, viz^t. that of Mr. John Callender, Mr. Thomas Perkins, and Mr. Gibbs, by allowing to them about fifty per cent. on the amount claimed. The Petitioners ancestor in his life time, & the petitioner since his decease, having ascertained these facts, renewed their application, but under an impression entertained by individuals of former committees that the cases were not parallel, the same has been postponed from time to time for inquiry. And at length the petitioner has instituted a suit to recover damages. Upon

a careful examination of facts and documents, this committee can discern no reason for distinguishing between the claim of the petitioner and those above stated. They have reason to presume that the petitioner is yet disposed to adjust his demand upon the principles adopted in the other cases, and are of opinion that equity and justice require the same to be done and accordingly submit the following order.

H. G. Otis, per order.

Ordered, That the sum of three hundred dollars be paid to the legal representatives of Stephen Higginson in full of all demands for damages sustained in the widening & alteration of Sumner and Bellevue streets, on their agreeing to accept the same and release the City from all demands, and that said sum be paid from the appropriation for widening streets.

Read, accepted, and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Lamas ops concurred.

Bridge Street.

Resolved, That the public safety and convenience require, that Bridge street be ~~widened~~ extended to the line of the Hospital land; and the same is hereby laid out and extended in manner following, viz: Beginning on Vine street at the south west corner of a block of brick houses; from thence running northerly by a straight line two hundred fourteen feet seven inches, as the houses now stand, to the land of the Massachusetts General Hospital; thence running westerly forty one feet by said land of said Hospital; thence running southerly by a straight line two hundred twenty two feet, nine inches, as the houses now stand, to said Vine street, forty feet, six inches, to the place of beginning.

City Charter

Ordered, That the silver case containing a copy of the City Charter be placed in the safe in the Auditor's office.

Petition of John Amory & others, to have the common sewer in Court Street taken up & relaid. Read and thereupon ordered, that all persons interested, be notified to appear on Monday next, four o'clock P. M. and object to the same, if they see cause. Amory - Court St.

The committee on the communication of David Greenough, report, that having his plan for widening the avenue from Bratle Square to Elm Street, they consider it a very desirable improvement; but not of that urgent public necessity which would justify the great expenditure by the City, required to carry it into effect. As the abuttors decline contributing any portion of the expense; the committee recommend that the proposed alteration be not made. Rich.d D. Harris, for y.e Com.ee Read and accepted. Greenough

Petition of John Deluce, to have I Street opened; also part of First Street. Read & committed to Aldermen Russell and Bent, to consider & report. Deluce I & First St.

Ordered, that warrants be issued, for the meeting of the Citizens in their respective wards, on Monday the fourteenth day of November, next, eleven o'clock A. M. then & there to give in their ballots, for Governor, Lieutenant Governor six Senators and sixty Representatives. The poll to be kept open until three o'clock, P. M. Ward meetings.

Petition of Samuel T. Edwards, praying that the carriages & teams may not be permitted to stand in front of the Franklin hotel, Merchants row, Referred to the committee on the Market, to consider and report. Edwards. Merchants Row.

Adjourned to Thursday next, ten o'clock, A. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Thursday, the third day of November, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present—

The Mayor— Aldermen Oliver, Armstrong, Ruspell, Binney and Harris.

Land Com.r Washington St.

Communication from the land commissioner, that he has been offered a certain sum, for the sale of a lot of land in the Bull pasture on Washington street Read and committed to Aldermen Ruspell & Bent, to consider and report.

Land Com.r Fremont St.

Also his communication recommending an appropriation for the extension of Fremont street over the City lands, and for the completion of the same. Read and committed to Aldermen Ruspell & Bent, to consider and report.

Roxbury line Perambulated.

Pursuant to agreement, We the Subscribers met on this third day of November, A.D. 1831, at the place appointed, and run the line, and renewed the boundmarks, between the City of Boston, and the town of Roxbury as follows, to wit— Beginning in the Bay, above the Boston South bridge, at the line dividing Boston & Roxbury from Dorchester, from thence running through the center of a brook into the Dock northeast of Northampton Street; from thence running southeasterly by a straight line through a stone standing in Northampton street, marked B on the northwesterly side, and R on the southeasterly side, and continuing in the same direction to another stone standing in a meadow, marked B on the northeasterly side & R on the southwesterly side; from thence running northeasterly

five hundred, forty two: and a half feet to a stone post two hundred and fifteen feet from the former line of Washington street; thence continuing the same course two hundred & fifteen feet to a stone post standing in Washington street marked B on the northeasterly side and R on the southwesterly side; from thence across said street, to the fence dividing the land belonging to Isaac Scott and others, formerly Wm. Minot & from land belonging to Susanna Sarah Davis, formerly of John Richardson, Esq. thence by said fence, and the line thereof continued to the Creek formerly opening into the Bay leading to Cambridge, but now into the full basin of the Boston and Roxbury Mill Corporation; thence through the centre of the said Creek to a stone post, standing on the dike of said Corporation dividing said full basin from the receiving basin of said Corporation marked B on the southeasterly side & R on the southwesterly side; from thence running north fifty three degrees east in the direction to the steeple of Park street meeting house in Boston, about two hundred & ninety rods, to the centre of the maine channel westerly of Charles and Pleasant streets in Boston; from thence northerly through the centre of said channel; to a point two hundred feet distant southerly from the Mill Dam or Western Avenue; thence running westerly by a straight line, to a stone post standing on the easterly side of the branch of said Mill Dam leading to Roxbury, marked B on the northerly side, & R on the southerly side; thence across said branch dam to another stone post standing on the westerly side thereof, and marked B. on the northerly side & R on the southerly side; thence by the centre of the channel in said full basin to the line dividing Boston & Roxbury from Brookline.

In testimony whereof we have hereto set our hands the day & year first written.

H. G. Otis, Mayor of Boston.

Eben.r Seaver
Mich.l Whitemore } Jr. } Selectmen of Roxbury.
B. P. Williams
John Champney
Mark P. Sweat

Henry J. Oliver
Sam.l T. Armstrong
Benj.a Rupell
Adam Bent.
Rich.d D. Harris
J. Binney.
} Aldermen.

Adjourned to Monday, next, 4 o'Clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the seventh day of November, Anno Domini, 1831.—

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Farnam.

Amory
Court St.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given, on the petition of John Amory, and others, to have the common sewer in Court street taken up and relaid, agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting. And now no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered, that said sewer be taken up and relaid, & the expense thereof apayed according to law, upon those whose estates shall be benefitted thereby.

Willis
Gas works

Petition of Benjamin Willis, and others, remonstrating against gas works in their location as now established; that an offensive effluvia arises from said works, & praying, that the same may be removed, agreeably to the provision of the statute authorizing the Mayor and Aldermen to regulate, restrict and control the acts and doings of said Corporation, which may in any manner affect the health, safety and convenience of the Inhabitants. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver, McCleary and Harris, to consider & report.

Roxbury
lines—
monuments.

Ordered, That Aldermen Kupfer and Bent, be a committee to erect in concurrence with the Selectmen of the town of Roxbury, such additional monuments, as they shall judge expedient to designate the boundary lines between that town, & this City.

Deluce
I & First St.

The committee on the petition of John Deluce; to have I street opened, also apart of First street, reported, that the state of the appropriation for streets will not admit of any operation on I street, the present season.

Read and accepted.

Richardson
Gridley St.

The committee on the petition of James B. Richardson and others, to have Gridley street, retained, reported, that the appropriation for the repair of streets being mostly expended, that said street ought not to be retained the present year.

Read and accepted.

Land Com:

The committee to whom was referred the communication of the Land Commissioner, that he has been offered twenty cents per foot for a lot of land in the Bull pasture, fifty feet front by one hundred feet deep, to be paid for in labour, at cash price, before the deed is delivered, that is to say, the purchaser to pay the bills of those persons who have or may contract to complete the construction of Fremont street forthwith. – reported, that the same be accepted.

Read and accepted.

Glenshaw
Second Street.

The committee on the petition of Charles Glenshaw, and others, praying that Second street South Boston may be opened and made suitable for public travel. reported the following order, viz: Ordered, that said street be made passable from Turnpike to Dorchester streets. provided, that a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars be expended during the current year. Read & accepted and the order passed.

Auctioneer.

Daniel Parkman licensed as an Auctioneer.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock P. M.

At a special meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the tenth day of November A. D. 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Farnam.

Petition of Billings Briggs, for permission to stop the Gaping in Gooch Street, not exceeding two days, for the purpose of taking a Section from a well in said Street.

J. Briggs
Gooch St.

Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam and Harris, with full power to grant the same if they see fit.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock P. M.

At a special meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Friday, the eleventh day of November, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present-

The Mayor - Aldermen Oliver, Armstrong, Rupell, McCleary, Farnam, Bent, Binney and Harris. -

Order of the Common Council au- Foster
thorizing and instructing their joint committee on the petition of Charles L. Foster, and Leonard Foster, and others respecting their claim, to a portion of the land and flats in front of the City, making part of their wharf and docks, and that they treat with the petitioner upon the subject of purchasing and extinguishing their said claim, and to conclude with them an agreement to pay for the same, such sum as they may consider for the interest of the City; -- Provided, that two thirds of said committee in writing assent to the same.

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Ordered, That there be added appropriation.
to the appropriation for widening streets, the sum of five thousand dollars, and that the same amount be withdrawn from the appropriation for the reduction of the City debt.

Ordered, That the City Treasurer Treasurer to
be authorized to borrow a sum of money not exceeding borrow money
seven thousand dollars, on a term of time not extending

beyond fifteen months, from the date hereof, at a rate of interest not exceeding four and one half per centum per annum; and that the said sum be added to the appropriation for widening streets. The first mentioned order passed in Common Council, also the second order by yeas and nays, according to the joint rules of the City Council, two thirds of the whole number voting in favor of the same. Came up for concurrence. Read, and the first mentioned order concurred in; and on concurrence with the Common Council in the second order, the yeas and nays were taken, according to said rule, and were as follows, viz: Yeas — Aldermen Oliver, Armstrong, Rupell, McCleary, Farnam, Binney, and Harris — 7. Nay — Alderman Bent — 1. — So the same passed in concurrence, two thirds having voted in favor of the same.

Rice's mortgage

Ordered, That the Mayor be authorized to discharge a mortgage given by Henry Rice, to the Barton Point association, and by said Corporation assigned to the City of Boston, to secure the payment of twelve hundred dollars, and interest dated 23d July, 1825, and recorded with Suffolk deeds, Lib. 302. fol. 50 & 51, upon payment of the principal & interest due. —

Adjourned to Monday, next, 4 o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the fourteenth day of November, A. 1831.

Present -

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Ordered, That Aldermen McCleary and Farnam, be a committee to settle the accounts of William Minot, Esquire, Treasurer of the Franklin fund. Franklin fund.

The joint committee of the City Council, to whom was referred the annual reports of the Directors of the House of Industry, and of the Directors of the House of Reformation, have attended to that service, & ask leave respectfully to report. That your committee have had three several meetings, on the subject committed to them, which was principally a contemplated alteration in the interior of the building occupied as a house of Reformation involving an expense of about two thousand dollars, and your committee were about submitting to the Council their views in relation to it, when the subject presented itself in another, and as your committee believe in a more acceptable shape to the Council viz: that of another location for that establishment growing out of a contemplated removal of the House of Correction, in connection with the relinquishment of the City's rights to the flats below the County property on Leverett street, and which supercedes, as your committee consider, any further action by them in the premises, at least until these important subjects are first disposed of upon a report of the committee who have those subjects before them. Your committee have duly examined the several Industry & Reformation.

Statements of the last years expenditures of the Directors & other particulars connected therewith, and they cannot but express their gratification at the economy and discretion which appear to have been regarded in every branch of them, so far as your committee could form an opinion, by paping the particulars in careful review. Your committee would conclude by recommending to the Council, that the usual number of such parts of the reports as the Directors may deem advisable be printed under the direction of the board. The usual number your committee understand to be three hundred. And your committee ask leave to be discharged from a further consideration of the subject committed to them. All which is respectfully submitted by Henry J. Oliver, in behalf of the Joint committee. Read and accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Sargent Parsons Commercial St

The committee to whom was referred the petitions of Daniel Sargent, and others and the petition of William Parsons, and others, for an extension of Commercial street to Lynn street, made a report, which was accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Harris, to consider and report.

Conroy Gas works

Petition of Benjamin Conroy, & others, remonstrating against the Gas works, as a nuisance, & praying that the same may be removed from their present location. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider and report.

Petition of Francis J. Oliver, praying that permission may be granted to plant trees and shrubbery in the Chapel burial ground. Read and the prayer of said petition granted, under the direction of the Committee on burial grounds & cemeteries. — Oliver. Chapel burial ground.

Communication of G. W. Barrett, Manager of the Tremont Theatre, inclosing three hundred & two dollars being the amount of the receipts at the Charity Concert given by Mr. & Mrs. Anderson on the twenty-fifth instant, to aid in the purchase of fuel for the poor. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Rubell, to consider and report. — Anderson. Tremont Theatre.

The committee on the petition of J. J. Edwards report, that Merchants Row be placed under the care of the Clerk of the Market, in the same manner as the other streets contiguous to the Market. — Edwards. Merchants Row.

Thomas B. Smith's communication respecting the rent of Deer Island during the time, that the works by the United States are erecting. Read and committed to the Committee on quarantine, to consider and report. — Smith. Deer Island.

Petition of John Burroughs, to be remunerated for buildings erected by him on the Alms house farm, which during the time he rented the same. Read & referred to the City Solicitor, to consider and report. — Burroughs. Alms house farm.

The Grand Jury's communication respecting the House of Correction, and giving it as their opinion that the Municipal Court ought to be removed from its present location. — Grand Jury. H. of Correction. Municipal Ct.

Adjourned to Wednesday, next, ten o'Clock, A. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Wednesday, the sixteenth day of November, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Votes Gov. Lt. Gov. & Senators.

The board proceeded to examine the returns of votes from the several wards, given in on the fourteenth instant, for Governor and Lieutenant Governor; Also for six Senators & Counsellors for the District of Suffolk, and found the whole number given in, as aforesaid, in the several wards were sorted, counted, recorded & declaration thereof made, as by the Constitution & laws, are required. The result of the returns of the votes are particularly described and recorded in the record book kept for that purpose, and the several returns were made out and signed by the Mayor & Aldermen and attested by the City Clerk sealed up and directed to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, according to law.

Representatives.

They also proceeded to examine the returns of votes, ~~given~~ from the several wards, given in as aforesaid, for Sixty Representatives, to represent the City, in the next General Court; That being the number agreed upon by the City Council, and they found them to be as stated in the record book kept for that purpose; it appears that forty one only are elected, and there are nineteen vacancies.

Thereupon ordered, That notice be made out to the several persons elected, to be delivered by an officer; and the returns made out & signed according to law.

Ordered, That warrants be issued for meetings of the Inhabitants in their several wards, on monday the 28th day of November, current, at eleven o'clock, A. M. for the purpose of electing nineteen Representatives, to supply the vacancy, and that the poll be kept open until three o'clock P. M.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the twenty first day of November, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Unfinished business.

Order of the Common Council, appointing Messrs. Stevens, Wetmore and Waters, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to examine and report what unfinished business, if any, there might be, which requires the attention of the present City Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Oliver and Farnam are joined.

Houses of Correction & Juvenile offenders.

Order of the Common Council, appointing Messrs. Flint, Bartlett, Bailey and Robinson, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to take into consideration and report upon the plan & documents of the board of Aldermen in relation to the House of Correction and House of Juvenile offenders, at South Boston. Also that so much of the report of the Grand Jury made at the November term of the Municipal Court, as relates to the House of Correction be referred to the same committee. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Armstrong, Rupell and Binney are joined.

Stoddard.

The committee on the application of C. Stoddard, reported, That they have granted to him the use of a room, in the Boylston School house, for the purpose of keeping therein a Sunday School.

Read & accepted.

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Hales
Hayward place

Petition of William Hales, in behalf of several proprietors of estates on the southerly side of Hayward place, for permission to sink a common sewer between said place and Essex street; the expense of the same to be defrayed by the proprietors. Read and committed to Aldermen Rupell and Paul, with full power to grant the same if they think fit.

Grand Jury:
Municipal Ct.
removal.

Order of the Common Council concurring so much of the report of the Grand Jury as do not relate to the Houses of Correction and Juvenile offenders to Messrs James, Abbot, and Clark, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Armstrong Rupell & Binney are joined.

Tremont Theatre
Anderson's
donation.

The committee on the communication of the Manager of the Tremont Theatre, inclosing three hundred and two dollars, being the amount of receipts at the Charity Concert, given by Mr & Mrs Anderson, on the 12th instant, to aid in the purchase of fuel for the poor, reported as their opinion, that this sum was transmitted under a misapprehension of public sentiment, and that it ought again to be placed at the disposal of Mr Barnard. Read and accepted and thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be requested to transmit the money accordingly.

Land Com.
Merrimac St.

The committee on the Land Commissioner's communication, reported against selling the lot of land on Merrimac street, described in said communication, at present; they believe it will increase in value in consequence of the rail road depôt; it being otherwise for the interest of the City to retain it. Read & accepted.

Petition of Henry Bunges to be licensed to open and exhibit in the Amphi theatre, & the petition of Bartlett Hill, and others, in favour of granting the same. Read and committed to Aldermen Farnam & Harris, to consider and report.

Bunges Amphitheatre.

The joint committee to whom was referred the petition of Barzillia Homes; also the petition of Joel Thayer, and of N. H. Jones, in behalf of the heirs of Ezra Hyde; praying that the City Council would receive back certain tombs situated in the burial ground at South Boston, and purchased by them; say that former June 12. 1821, being tomb No 5, and the latter purchased July 25. 1821, being tomb No 3, have had the subject under consideration and ask leave respectfully to report — That it appears by the records with the Superintendent of burial grounds, that the tombs aforementioned were purchased by the parties, as set forth in their said petitions and that the price paid for each was one hundred & fifty two Dollars. The reason set up by the petitioners why the City should take back the tombs is, that the board of Health was to have gone on & completed the laying out of the burial ground, and the building of tombs, but did not; that in consequence the peace has been neglected, and their property become valueless. Your committee do not find that there is any legal claim on the part of the petitioners in this account; but for the reasons, that there may be some obligation existing on the part of the City, as the Superintendent says these tombs will by & by be wanted by the City, and as your committee find, that in a former instance a tomb purchased by Winslow Lewis, Esq. was

Homes-Hydes-heirs Jones. Thayer

similar circumstances was taken by the City, so your committee now report that the tombs referred to, be received back, and that the same sum be paid in each instance as was paid to Capt. Lewis, and which was accepted by him in full of all claims and expences although his tomb had cost him, two hundred & seventeen dollars, while each of those now referred to cost but one hundred & fifty two dollars, and for the purpose aforesaid, your committee ask leave to report an order providing for the payment of the money accordingly.
All which is respectfully submitted by

Henry J. Oliver, in behalf of joint com^e

Ordered, That there be paid to Barzillai Homes the sum of one hundred dollars; also to Joel Thayer, & the legal heirs of the late Ezra Hyde, the sum of one hundred dollars, on their transferring in the usual form all their right, title and interest in tombs numbered three and five, in the City burial ground at South Boston, and that said amount be charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses and miscellaneous claims.

Read, accepted, and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Hall v. Guard. of Jackson May St.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Jonathan F. Hall, Guardian of Mary Jackson, to be remunerated for damage to her estate on May street, reported, that the sum of thirty nine dollars & fifty cents be paid in full of all demands for damages in the premises.

Read and accepted.

Phillips's donation

The committee to whom was referred the communication of Moses Grant, Esq. respecting the donation of land at South Boston, reported, that they have had an interview with the Honble Jonathan Phillips, the gentleman referred to in said communication, who has confirmed his liberal intention to them, on the conditions specified therein. Read and accepted.

Foster

The joint committee to whom was referred the petition of William Leonard and Charles E. Foster, praying that some arrangement might be made with them relative to a small gore of land owned by them on Commercial Street, near the City wharf, have attended to that subject and ask leave to report. That they have had an interview with Mr. Leonard & Foster & began by informing him, that they were clothed with full powers to bring this matter to a final settlement. Mr. Foster in return stated that he likewise was impowered, by his brothers to do the same. The committee then commenced a conversation with Mr. Foster endeavouring to obtain from him his views on the subject and collect from him a price that he would be willing to sell this land for; but at this point they failed; they could not induce him to name a price, he came there he said not to make but to receive proposals, he wanted to know first what the City would give him for the land. The committee then made him an offer of fifteen dollars per foot for the same; which amounted to three thousand, five hundred and ten dollars. This offer Mr. Foster rejected, he then was informed, that it would be useless to proceed any further unless he could be induced to name a price

276. here Mr. Foster produced a sketch of the ground floor of a store he had projected and which he intended to build on this lot, dividing the same into two rooms of four & a half feet front and twenty four feet deep; for one of these rooms Mr. Foster said he had been offered one hundred & fifty dollars per annum; this offer he informed the committee was made by a foreigner, a man that he himself did not know to be able to pay this rent. Upon this offer however he had made this calculation of the annual rent he should be able to obtain for the whole building, as follows for the lower floor three hundred dollars; for the Cellar two hundred, for the chamber two hundred, in all seven hundred dollars, and deducting one hundred dollars for the interest on the cost of the building left a net income of six hundred dollars per annum. Here the committee went into detail on this calculation pointing out the fallacy of taking this offer as a sufficient foundation to make a grave estimation of yearly income upon, but to no effect. They then made him another proposal; which was, that impartial arbitrators should be jointly selected, & a minimum price of fifteen dollars per foot be limited, and those arbitrators should decide how much, if any, the City should pay above this price for this lot of land. This offer like the first was rejected. Mr. Foster still contending that six hundred dollars per annum could be obtained for a store he had described, and nothing short of the sum that would produce that yearly income would be taken for this lot, ten thousand dollars. Therefore was this lowest price and nothing that could be urged would induce him to take any less. This sum is at the rate of forty two dollars, seventy three and a half cents for each square foot of land. This price was positively and unanimously rejected by the committee. Further conversation was had with Mr. F.

on the subject of locating his lot to the northward of the City wharf, this likewise was rejected by him as being of less value — he was willing however to be located there, provided he could fix the value; or on the neck lands, if the City would give him land at the present value amounting to ten thousand dollars. The committee under these circumstances deem it useless to make any comments; they believe Mr. Foster is very much mistaken in the value of this small piece of land and they are perfectly convinced, that any further attempt to negotiate on the subject will be time wasted, they therefore recommend; that no further order be taken upon the petition of said Fosters. All which is respectfully submitted. For the committee — Henry Farnam.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Engine No. 10 Bruce.

The committee on the fire department on the representation of a committee from Engine company number 10, in behalf of Cyrus Bruce, stating, that said Bruce, by his exertions and exposure at the late fire in Broad Street, caught a violent cold, and in consequence became sick for a long time and confined to the house, and that his health is yet greatly impaired; that he is in necessitous circumstances, has others dependent on his labour; that the company have contributed to his relief to the extent of their power, and that said Bruce was not a member of the benevolent fire association, so as to be entitled to aid from their fund; find the statement in said representation correct in substance and report the following order which is respectfully submitted.

M. G. Otis, per order —

278. Ordered, That the sum of forty dollars be paid to Cyrus Bruce, a member of Engine company number 10, in full compensation for injury sustained by him in the discharge of his official duty at a fire in Broad street, and all incidental expenses.

Read, accepted, and the order passed.

Vaccination

The committee to whom was again committed the proposition for a general vaccination office, reported, that as the subject is before a joint committee appointed in January last, they request to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Read and accepted.

H. of Correction Thanksgiving dinner

On the application of the overseers of the House of Correction ordered, That the committee on the Jail and House of Correction be authorized to procure the usual Thanksgiving dinner, for the inmates of said house.

Market Cellars

Communication from the Clerk of the Market, stating, that Saturday, yesterday and this day, the tide has been on the floors of a number of cellars in the Market house; to the depth of four or five inches. Read and committed to the committee of the Market, with full power to plank the cellars.

Adjourned to Monday next, 4 o'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the twenty eighth day of November, A. D. 1831.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Barry.

The joint committee to whom was referred the petition of William Barry, Esq. with full powers to adjust and settle with him, his claim for damages alleged to have been sustained by him in being dispossessed of his lease of stores in the then Old State House, respectfully report the accompanying order, which is exclusive of any claim which the City may have upon him for rent and taxes as tenant under his lease, and which said Barry agrees to on his part. In behalf of the committee.

Henry J. Oliver, Chairman.

Ordered, That there be paid to William Barry Esq. the sum of four hundred dollars, in full of all claims and demands against the City for damages, in consequence of his being dispossessed of the stores in the Old State House, leased to him by the City, said sum to be paid from the appropriation for miscellaneous claims and incidental charges. Read, accepted, & the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Land Com.r Northampton & Suffolk Sts.

Communication of the Land Commissioner, that he has had an offer for a lot of land on Northampton and Suffolk streets. Read and committed to Aldermen Russell & Bent, to consider and report.

Hooton & Raymond Ann Street.

Petition of John Hooton and of John S. Raymond, and Ro. S. Hooton, to be remunerated the damage in taking their land to widen Ann Street. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver and McCleary, to consider & report.

Burges Amphitheatre.

The committee on the petition of Henry Burges to open the Amphitheatre, Flagg Alley, for exhibition, Reported, that a license be granted for three months from this date to John White, the owner of the same, at ten dollars per month, on his paying the money in advance.

Read and accepted.

Robinson Gas works.

Petition of Henry Robinson requesting permission to affix valves to the mouths of the common sewers emptying into the harbour or river, at or near the bottom of Prince street, on Lynn street, in order to prevent the tide when rising from carrying into said common sewer the ammonical liquor or other substance which is discharged from the iron sewer of the gas works into the river; the said valves to be affixed in a suitable and proper manner at said Robinson's expense. Read and the prayer thereof granted under the direction of the committee of the north ward district.

Mass.ts Society for promoting Agric.e

Petition of a committee of the Massachusetts society for promoting Agriculture, for the use of Faneuil Hall, on the Sixth & Seventh of December next, in order that a committee may examine and award premiums for the best butter and cheese which may be offered. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Rupell, with full power to grant the same if they think fit.

Petition of William Dyer, for per- 281.
mission to suspend a Gilt mortar, three feet from the second Dyer,
story of a building on the corner of Clinton & Commercial
Streets. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary,
to consider and report.

The committee of the Northern Cook
District to whom was referred the cutting and rebuilding the Inn Street &
front wall of the store of Isaac Cook, Esq. on Inn Street, & Mill Creek.
also of removing the out buildings on the Creek side, have
attended to that subject, and ask leave respectfully to report,
That after conferring with Mr. Cook on the business of
cutting off, and making the necessary work at his store,
he made no objection to the taking by the City, but prefer-
red that the City should proceed to do the necessary work.
This committee have done, at an expense of three hundred
ninety nine dollars, say $265. as originally reported, One hun-
dred & thirty dollars, for a stone front, the 1st story, to make
it uniform with the other buildings in the block. In this
stage of the business, Mr. Cook comes forward and offers to
assume certain internal alterations, and the removal of the out
buildings on the Creek side, as it is termed, and also to agree
upon some sum, which should be in full, of all damages
done in the cutting off on both sides, for the land
taken, and which resulted in the subjoined agreement en-
tered into between the Chairman of your sub committee &
Mr. Cook, and which was placed in the hands of the Col.
Clark, to be presented to the board this day, for their con-
firmation or rejection. The result is, that Mr. Cook is to
take the land, reserved by the City in the sale of the
land to J. D. Williams, Esq. for the land taken from Mr.
Cook, the City to pay the aforesaid sum of $395 in cutting
off, and the sum of six hundred dollars in full of all

damages to be paid by the City, and to be entered upon the next draft of the committee on accounts, payable the first of the ensuing month, on Mr. Cook giving to the City such discharge as the City Solicitor shall prescribe. All which is respectfully submitted. For the com.ee Henry J. Oliver, Chairman.

Read and accepted.

Auctioneer

Andrew W. Schaffer licensed as an Auctioneer.

Adjourned to half past three o'Clock tomorrow afternoon.

Tuesday November 29.th 1832. Met according to adjournment. Present — The Mayor — Aldermen Oliver Armstrong, Binney and Harris.

Votes for Reps.

The board proceeded to examine the returns of votes from the several wards given in yesterday, for nineteen Representatives, to complete the number sixty, and found them to be as recorded in the book kept for that purpose, and that the twelve persons therein named, marked E. had a majority of votes, and were duly elected. The returns was made out, and signed, and notices to the persons chosen ordered to be made and delivered by a Constable according to law.

Warrants for Ward meetings

Ordered, That warrants be issued for the election of Mayor, Aldermen, members of the Common Council, Overseers of the poor; members of the School committee & Ward officers, on Monday, the twelfth day of December next, at eleven o'Clock, A. M. The polls to be kept open until three o'Clock P. M.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at the City Hall, on Monday, the fifth day of December, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Bent.

Communication of Gustavus F. Alley, and others, stating, that there is a building on Charlestown street, occupied as a cotton factory, by the owners, Messrs. Leeds, which is in great danger of taking fire every instant during working hours, and which endangers the whole neighbourhood. They therefore pray, that such measures may be taken to insure the safety of the City. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver & McCleary, to consider & report. Alley.

The committee on the application of the Massachusetts Agricultural society for the use of Faneuil Hall, for the purpose of exhibiting butter & cheese for premium, reported, that leave has been granted, under the care of the Clerk of the Market. Read and accepted. Mass. Agr. S.

Samuel Hammond's claim for the amount recovered against him by the heirs of Royal Tyler deceased, for that part of the land, which was conveyed to him, by the City. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Harris, with authority to make such allowance as the City are bound to pay. Hammond.

Ordered, That the committee on the Market Watch be authorized to establish a watch in the Market house, during the season of making fires therein. Market Watch.

Tufts Union St.

Petition of Ephraim Tufts, Elizabeth Tufts and Ephraim Tufts, Junior, to be remunerated for their land taken to widen Union street, with the order of Court thereon. Read and referred to the City Solicitor, to defend the rights of the City, before the Court.

Welles Ash, Oak & Nason St.

Communication of John Welles, Esq. offering for the acceptance of the City, three streets, called Oak, Ash and Nason streets. Read and committed to Aldermen Rupell and Bent, to consider & report.

Land Com^r Northampton & Suffolk

The committee on the communication of the Land Commissioner, reported, that the lots of land mentioned therein be exchanged between the City and the owners J. P. Davis, and others on Northampton and Suffolk streets.

Read and accepted.

Dearborn watering Streets.

Petition of John M. Dearborn for compensation for watering the streets around City Hall. Read and committed to Aldermen Tarman and Harris, with authority to grant such sum as may be deemed reasonable.

Dexter Androides

Application of J. D. Dexter, a blind man, for a license to exhibit in a waggon, for a few days, the Androides, in Market square. Read & the prayer thereof granted, under the care of the Clerks of the Market.

Adjourned to Monday next 4 o'Clock, p. m.

AT a special meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the seventh day of December, Anno Domini, 1831. —

Present —

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen except Alderman Bent. —

Sargent & Parsons — Commercial St.

The committee to whom was referred, the report of a joint committee of the City Council, on the petition of Daniel Sargent, and others, for an extension of Commercial street — Report, that the same ought to pass with the following proviso, at the end of the first Resolve — "Provided, that before any money be applied by the City to the purposes of this resolve, the proprietors of all the land shall by sufficient deeds, release to the City, all claim for damage or compensation for the lands or buildings that may be included in the lines of the street, that shall be laid out, or that security to the satisfaction and acceptance of the Mayor and Aldermen, that the City shall be fully indemnified from all claims for the same shall be first given. —

For the committee Sam. T. Armstrong.

Read and accepted.

Commercial Street

The joint committee to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Sargent, and others, as also the petition of William Parsons, and fourteen hundred others, for an extension of Commercial street to Lynn Street, have attended to the duty assigned them, and ask leave respectfully to report — That they have met the parties at two several times and received from them a plan drawn by S. P. Fuller, Esq. of the continuation of Commercial street as proposed by them, together with the conditional relinquish-

ment to the City, by the principal abuttors on the contemplated line of so much of their land as may be required to make said street;- See paper numbered 3, together with sundry other documents, all which accompany and make part of this report. By recurrence to the plan it will be perceived that the petitioners contemplate continuing Commercial street from its present termination at Lewis's wharf as far round as the Marine rail way in Ann Street- the whole expense of which is estimated at $ 16,500, exclusive of the relinquishment of their lands, and the removal of buildings as aforesaid (See paper No. 1.) leaving the widening of Ann street as far as Lynn street to future operations as private enterprize may render expedient, and the public necessity or convenience may require, it being in the views of this committee all important that the section of Ann street from the Marine Rail way should be continued of the same width as Commercial street, and which can probably be done at no very considerable expense, if widened principally on the water side of the street, indeed the street must hereafter go across Hanover street, and be continued of this width two hundred feet into Lynn street, on the water side, with but little, if any, damage to the two estates bordering thereon.

The $ 16,500, stated as being the expense of carrying Commercial street to the point in Ann street aforenamed, is for the purchase of some small estates and making compensation to individuals on the route whose estates cannot be taxed without essential injury to them; and which will be more distinctly understood by following the lines on the plan, with the explanatory document numbered 1, the amount of all which is estimated at about $ 13,500; the balance is for the cost of making the street and putting it in a condition for paving, as per S. P. Fuller's estimate of the same- See paper No. 20, and is $ 3098, 52, making together the

aforesaid estimate of about $16,500. The length of the proposed extension of Commercial Street to Ann street is 1250 feet, carrying a width of fifty feet. The whole quantity of land thereby redeemed from old wharves, and covered in part with stores sheds and other wooden buildings, together with some dock will amount to not far from 62,500 square feet.

Thus are the Council made acquainted with all the facts touching the premises, which your committee are in possession of and in view of which, your committee have unanimously agreed to report, a resolve recommending an appropriation of the sum of ten thousand dollars, towards defraying the cost of the aforesaid enterprize. The work may be commenced this fall, and the street be laid out, if done agreeably to the arrangement among themselves, in all the month of April next, altho' the principal part of the ensuing year might elapse before the money would be called for from the City.

Your committee are not aware that it is necessary to enlarge their present report by any remarks by way of argument in favor of the Council's adopting the principal resolve recommended by them, particularly if it is borne in mind that the extension in a northerly direction of Commercial Street as now proposed, originally entered into the views of the City Council as forming part of the improvement contemplated in the laying out of this street. If you, however, of the many other considerations which presented themselves to your committee, they will proceed to state. — It will readily occur to the Council, that the project of a wide capacious avenue around this City had long been in contemplation with the old town authorities, and with every City Council since the change of the Municipal government. In view of this was it, your committee believe, that both branches of the

Council in the last annual address from its chief magistrate, had its attention called to this subject, in relation to the extension of Broad street round to Sea street. Of no less importance in the view of your committee and most perfectly in accordance with the views just referred to, is the extension of Commercial Street to Lynn street, and when both of these streets are completed, there will remain but a small part of your City which will not be accommodated with such marginal street. Commencing at the north & following Charles River, you have Lynn street, forty feet wide on straight lines to Causeway street — thence by this street, which is sixty feet in width to Leverett street — thence to Brighton street, through Brighton street, with the exception of an extension of this street across to Cambridge street, but which the public necessity will very shortly call for to be continued to Charles street thence through Pleasant & Washington streets to Roxbury, or a little westerly over Vernon street just laid out to Roxbury — To return back to the place of beginning, you take a southerly course through Commercial street to the Long Wharf, thence through India & Broad Streets to Sea Street, the conjunction of these two latter named Streets is now in charge of a joint committee of the Council; thence by Sea Street to South Boston, or turning westerly through East and Essex streets to Front street & Washington street, or by a continuation of Front street (already petitioned for to the Council) to Northampton street and Roxbury. Thus in the course of a very few years, with only the continuance of the past prosperity of our City, will this very desireable object of a marginal street, embracing all the advantages of new streets and wide side walks, extending itself around the City entire, be accomplished. A more local, but not less important consideration with your committee in favor of the street now proposed to be

constructed is the present condition of Ann street, a street which runs parallel with it & is about 150 feet distant from the proposed street, and for which the new street will be in part a substitute, so far at least as lies in its commercial advantages. This street, in its width and lines through the whole extent, as has once before been remarked, has been a reproach to the town at least for one generation: being only 14 feet wide in one place between the side walks, and these only two feet wide, and from that in many places, only 19 feet wide, including side walks, and throughout the whole street of no greater average width than 24 feet 3 inches including side walks, at the same time this street is one of the principal avenues from the centre to the north part of the city; Now the cost of widening this street to make it only 30 feet wide, as has been remarked by a former committee of the Council would at the very lowest calculation amount to $100,000. In the most limited view of it, the expense would unquestionably be very considerable. Now here is a proposition in a street, the construction of which will render unnecessary any very extensive widening in Ann street, and which can be obtained by the city for merely the sum of $10,000. Your committee know of no instance where a street of such length and width and from which the public will derive so much advantage has been obtained at so little cost. Again, your committee view it as not among the least of the considerations in favor of a marginal street, particularly in the case now referred to, that its construction tends to promote very greatly the health of the city, by the removal of those numerous small docks, which are well known to be constant sources of filth, and at low tides exceedingly offensive. The fact also, that such avenues bring nearer each other remote sections of the city, particularly in the present

instance, your committee consider is not to be lost sight of. The advantages in the saving of time to the labouring man who passes from his home at the north part of the town to Long and Central wharves, for instance; and this going and returning four times a day, is by no means inconsiderable. The City is conferring a benefaction upon this class of our community in the attainment of so desirable an object. The saving of time and expense in the transportation of every description of property passing either way is, in the opinion of your committee also, entitled to the regard of the Council; and lastly, by way of an immediate pecuniary interest which the City has in the project under consideration; it is a fact fairly to be assumed, that while in many cases sums as large as that now proposed are expended in the straightening or widening streets, having regard to public convenience and to uniformity of appearance, very properly appropriated undoubtedly, but without one dollar coming in of additional taxes to the City Treasury; while in the present instance, in all probability within three years from the payment of the money, reported in the accompanying resolve, there will be reimbursable to the Treasury, double, if not three fold, the interest on the expenditure by the City, in the amount of income from the taxable property created by this improvement.

In conclusion, your committee indulge the belief, that there can be but one opinion as to the general utility of the continuance of the proposed street agreeably to the petition signed by William Parsons, $ 1408 other citizens originally and now that of Daniel Sargent and others, the present year presented before the Council. The number and respectability of the names attached to the petitions, and the various interests which they represent, present strong claims upon the Council, as your committee, humbly apprehend, to the granting their request, so far as is con-

braced in the first subsequent Resolution, which your committee report and recommend the adoption of, by the City Council. All which is respectfully submitted, by order & in behalf of the joint committee. Henry J. Oliver, Chairman.

Read and accepted, and the resolves passed as amended in manner following viz:-

Resolved, That it is expedient to appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars, towards the extention of Commercial street fifty feet wide, from its present termination at Lewis' wharf, to the marine Railway in Ann street - said street to be constructed of like materials with that part already built, and the money to be paid, when the same shall have been completed to the satisfaction of the Surveyors of highways - Provided, That before any money be applied by the City, to the purposes of this resolve, the proprietors of all the land, shall by sufficient deeds, release to the City, all claim for damages or compensation, for the lands or buildings, that may be included in the lines of the street, that shall be laid out, or that security to the satisfaction and acceptance of the Mayor and Aldermen, that the City shall be fully indemnified from all claims for the same shall be first given.

Resolved, That all further proceedings in the premises touching a choice of lines of said street, as also the continuation of collateral streets into the new street, together with all other matters in relation thereto, be referred to the Surveyors of highways.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Franklin fund Treasurer's acct.

The committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the Franklin fund, having attended to that duty, respectfully report, That they have

carefully examined the account herewith presented, bearing date November 21, 1831, and compared the several charges with the bonds and other documents connected therewith, and found the same correct. That they have certified duplicates of said account, and that it appears, that there is a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of six hundred and fifty eight dollars and sixty eight cents; that no loans having been made from said fund during the present year, your committee recommend, that said balance be deposited in the office of the Massachusetts Hospital life insurance company. Also that proper measures be taken to inforce payment from delinquents, and accordingly submit the following orders. —

John P. McCleary
Henry Farnam
} Committee.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Franklin fund be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to deposit the balance of moneys now in his hands belonging to said fund in the office of the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Franklin fund be and he is hereby authorized and directed to prosecute all delinquents, debtors, to said fund, first giving to them sixty days notice.

Read, accepted, and the orders passed.

Adjourned to Monday, next, 4 o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the twelfth day of December, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Homer
Charter st.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of George J. Homer, praying compensation for land taken by the town many years since to widen Charter street, Report. That the claim of said Homer is involved in considerable obscurity, so far as it relates to the laying out of that section of said street. The possession of the land claimed appears to have been in the grantor to said Homer until within a few years past, by his occupying the same with timbers and other obstructions, and when notice was given by the Marshal to remove the same, it was never followed up by any measures of compulsion on the part of the City. The land claimed is about twelve hundred feet, and the committee have concluded to recommend to the board, that when said Homer shall give to the City a warranty deed for all purposes, that there be paid to him in full of all demands growing out of the claim aforesaid, the sum of five hundred dollars.

For the committee, Henry J. Oliver Chair.

Read and accepted.

Wentworth
Bedford st.

. . . Memorial of Philip Wentworth, respecting the land taken to widen Bedford street.)

Read and committed to Aldermen Kapell & Bent, to consider and report.

Kimball & Stingis — Faneuil Hall

Petition of D. Kimball, and others, for the use of Faneuil Hall, for a caucus, on the evening next preceding the next trial for the choice of Mayor; And the petition of Rufell Stingis, and others, friendly to the election of General Lyman; for the use of said Hall, on the same evening. Read and thereupon ordered, that the above named Kimball and Stingis be notified to appear before this board, at its next sepion, if they see fit, to be present at the drawing of lots, agreeably to the rule heretofore established by the board of Aldermen.

Cockayne.

The committee on the petition of Abigail Cockayne, have considered the subject and report, That the petitioner was paid such a sum for damages as was deemed sufficient and proper, at the time the supposed damage was sustained; that it was paid with the understanding on the part of the committee, that it was to be in full of all demands for such damages — The petitioner is not entitled to any further compensation and that she have leave to withdraw.

For the committee Sam. T. Armstrong.

Read and accepted.

Hammond.

The committee on the claim of Samuel Hammond, reported, that they are of opinion, that the sum of nineteen hundred eighty seven dollars and thirty cents, claimed by him ought to be paid in full of all damages or demands in the premises.

Read and accepted.

Petition of Livermore & Kendall to hire the Centre Hall over Faneuil Hall Market; — Also that partitions may be erected in the wings of Market Hall. Read and committed to Aldermen Kuhn & Oliver, to consider and Report.

Livermore & Kendall.

The committee on the petition of Aaron Rice in behalf of his wards J. D. Wallace, and others, for compensation for damage done and expenses paid in consequence of digging down Way street — Report: That the sum of seventy dollars ought to be paid to said Rice for the use of the minors, owners of said estate, in full for all damages in that case sustained by them.

Rice.

For the committee. Sam. F. Armstrong.

Read and accepted.

Memorial of R. C. Hooper, and others, respecting the quarantine of vessels from the Baltic, praying that the same may be discontinued. Read and committed to the committee on quarantine, to consider & report.

Hooper Quarantine

Communication from the American Consul at Havana; respecting the Cholera; and the quarantine of vessels. Read and committed to the committee on quarantine, to consider and report.

Havana Consul.

City Solicitor's opinion on the claim of John Burroughs, for the amount of a building on the Long House wharf, erected by him, sold by the City with the land. Referred to Ald. Armstrong & Binney, to consider & report.

City Solt. Burroughs.

Small pox Vaccine inst.

The joint committee to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's address as relates to the adoption of additional measures of protection against the small pox, and the establishment of a Hospital accessible by land, reported the following orders, viz:-

Ordered, that there be fitted up, at an expense not exceeding the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, the east room of the third story of City Hall, as a public vaccine institution.

Ordered, that the quarantine Physician be and he is hereby appointed to take charge of said vaccine institution agreeably to the principles laid down in the foregoing report, and that said Physician make monthly returns in reference to this department to the Mayor and Aldermen.

Ordered, that the aforesaid sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be taken from the appropriation for the repairs of public buildings, and that the above named alteration be made under the direction of the Mayor and Aldermen. Read and accepted in Common Council, and the orders passed.

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Dearborn petition

The committee on John W. Dearborn's petition to be remunerated the expense and trouble of watering sheds around City Hall - reported, that said Dearborn be allowed and paid for the watering as aforesaid; during the last summer two dollars per month, viz: Ten dollars, for five months.

Read and accepted.

The committee on the communication of John Welles, for himself, and others, respecting the acceptance by the City of Oak, Ash and Mapan streets and in regard to the construction of common sewers, and drains in said streets. Report, that they have examined the premises, and are of opinion that said streets are not in a condition to admit of their acceptance by the City, and on the request of the municipal proprietors of said streets, the committee report, that the public convenience and necessity require, that said streets should be finished to the satisfaction of the Surveyors of Highways, and recommend to the acceptance of the board of the offer of said petitioner; to give bond, with sufficient sureties, to complete said streets, within one year from this day, to the acceptance of said Surveyors, and that it will not be expedient to take any orders, for the construction of common sewers, or drains, until said bond be given and executed. The committee were also informed of the existance of a nuisance in several cellars in Oak street, the remedy for which is provided in the ordinance passed May 31. 1824, and report, that the City Marshal be directed by the Mayor, to take measures in the premises.

Respectfully submitted, B. Russell, for committee.

Read and accepted.

Welles — Oak, Ash & Mapan Streets

The com.ee on the Market, who were authorized to establish a watch in the Market house, during the season of making fires therein, reported, that they have appointed Samuel B. Stearns & David Davis, Watchmen, to be paid fifty each per night for performing that duty.

Read & accepted.

Watchmen Market.

Ordered, that a piece of land 35 feet by 18. situated on Esper street, near South street, be purchased for the purpose of erecting thereon an Engine house for No. 20, provided the same can be obtained for one dollar & twenty five Cents per Square foot.

Engine No. 18.

Adjourned to 12 o'Clock, tomorrow.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of December, Anno Domini, 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen except Alderman Bent.

Kimball & Hingis - Faneuil Hall.

Agreeably to assignment Messrs. D. Kimball & Rufus Hingis appeared for the purpose of drawing lots, for the use of Faneuil Hall. And the lots being accordingly drawn Mr. Hingis drew No. 1, he accordingly selected the evening next preceding the day of election, viz. on Wednesday evening of next week, & the use of said Hall was assigned to Mr. Kimball, on Tuesday evening of the next week. And it was ordered, that said Hall should not be opened on the Sunday evening preceding the day of the next election of Mayor.

Votes for Mayor

The board proceeded to examine the returns of votes from the several wards, given in yesterday, and found the whole number of votes for Mayor, to be ..... 4849.

Necessary for a choice ..... 2425.

And it appears that no person had a majority of votes for Mayor.

Aldermen

The whole number of votes for Aldermen was 4796.

Necessary for a choice ..... 2399.

Messrs. Henry J. Oliver	had,	4391
Benjamin Rufoll	"	4429
John B. M'Cleary	"	4646
Henry Farnam	"	4380.
John Binney	"	4362.
Richard D. Harris	"	4629.
John Stevens	"	4399.
Jabez Ellis	"	4384.

and they were elected Aldermen of said City, for the year ensuing.

Ordered, that the City Clerk cause the result of the election to be published in the newspapers, and that the several Gentlemen, who have been elected Aldermen, be notified of their appointment.

Ordered, that warrants be issued for a meeting of the Inhabitants in their several wards on Thursday the twenty second day of December, instant, at twelve o'Clock, M. for the election of Mayor. Warrants for Ward meetings.

Ordered, that the polls be kept open until three o'Clock, P. M. and that they be authorized to fill all vacancies which may exist in each ward.

Application of William Beals, for the use of the Old Common Council room tomorrow evening to hold a meeting of Citizens friendly to the election of General Lyman, for Mayor. Beals

Read and granted.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'Clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Monday, the nineteenth day of December, A. 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Harris.

Washington & Bromfield Streets.

The committee of the Western district appointed by orders of this board, based on the 3d & 8th of July, with full powers to widen Washington street, near Bromfield street; Also Bromfield street, Report, That they have caused the widening of said streets, according to the plan, adopted by the board; in doing which, it was necessary to remove such parts of several of the buildings, that the remainder was useless; several were cut off and repaired, at the expense of the City; the whole expense has not exceeded the first estimate by the committee, in some instances the damages were payable wholly to the owners, and in some, it was necessary to compensate tenants for fixtures, removals &c. To Mr. John Ashton, was paid . . $2500.

" Mr. Holker . . . . . 1200.

" Mr. Ashton, for Mrs. Boyle's est. . . . 1900.

" Mr. Bigelow . . . . . 4200.

" Mr. D. L. Maseley . . . . . 1100.

$10,900.

There has been also paid to Messrs. Bird & Rhoades the sum of eight hundred dollars, for surrendering the lease, & other damages. The demands against the City which remain to be settled are John Parker's for about eighty feet of land, - and Mr. Sheafe's for about fifty feet

of land, together with some leper sums for damages to their tenants. Respectfully submitted, for the committee. Sam. L. Armstrong.

Read and accepted.

The committee appointed to take into consideration so much of the Mayor's inaugural address as relates to the opening of a marginal street from Broad to Sea street — Reported, That the further consideration of the subject be referred to the next City Council. Read and accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Marginal st from Sea to Broad sts.

The committee on the petition of Rufus Davenport, reported, that the further consideration of the subject be referred to the next City Council. Read and accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Davenport.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of William Parker, and others, praying that a part of Purchase street should be graduated so as to open the ascent from Broad street — Report, That they have carefully examined said Purchase street, had many interviews with the petitioners and others, who have remonstrated against any alteration being made on said street, for reason that it would undermine & very much injure their dwelling houses situate on said street. During this discussion notice

Parker. Purchase st.

was given; that the joint committee that was appointed to take into consideration so much of the Mayor's inaugural address as related to the opening of a marginal street from Summer to Broad street, would hold a meeting on that subject. Accordingly a large committee from the Gentlemen owners of real estate interested in the prosecution of said Marginal Street, attended this meeting, & gave great encouragement, that they should be able to carry this great improvement into effect. In consequence of this meeting and the probable result thereof, the committee suspended further proceedings on said petition being fully satisfied that if said enterprize should be accomplished, it would not only be a very valuable public benefit to the City, but prevent the necessity of graduating said Purchase Street as the travel in that case would be diverted round instead of over the hill. The committee therefore under the full belief that this very important improvement ought and will eventually be accomplished, request that they will be discharged from further attention to said petition.

For the committee. Henry Farnam

Read and accepted.

Vaccine institution

Ordered, That the Mayor, Aldermen Oliver, Rupell and Harris, be a committee to carry into effect the orders of the City Council, respecting the fitting up the east Chamber in the third Story of City Hall as a public vaccine institution.

Livermore & Kendall

The committee on the application of Livermore & Kendall to hire the Centre Hall in the Market House was discharged at their own request.

Petition of William F. L. Stewart, to be licensed for the opening a building as a Circus or Amphitheatre, for the term of three months. Read and committed to Alderman Oliver & McCleary to consider and report.

Stewart Circus

The joint committee appointed to examine and report what unfinished business, if any, there may be, which requires the attention of the present City Council — Report, that they find the following subjects which have not been reported upon, viz:

Unfinished business

On admeasurement of grain. On removal of State Arsenal. On Cows going at large South Boston.

All which is respectfully submitted, in behalf of the Committee.

Wm. J. Oliver.

Read and accepted, in Common Council.

Came up for concurrence

Read and concurred.

Petition of Ellis Gray Loring, praying for further time to remove buildings from the line of Front street. Read and referred to the next board of Aldermen.

Loring Front st

Adjourned to Friday next, 12 o'clock. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on Friday, the twenty third day of December, A. D. 1831.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Bent.

Mayor chosen.

The board proceeded to examine the returns of votes from the several wards given in yesterday, for Mayor, and found the whole number to be 5928.

Necessary for a choice ..... 2965.

The Honorable Charles Wells, had ..... 3316.

and he was duly elected Mayor of the City for the year ensuing.

Ordered, that the City Clerk publish the result in the newspapers, and that the Mayor elect, be notified of this election.

Stewart Circus.

The committee appointed on the application of William and T. L. Stewart, to be licensed to open a Circus or Amphitheatre for the term of three months, reported, that the prayer of said petition be granted, at a building to be erected on Mill pond, land near pond shall on paying therefor fifteen dollars a month, upon the same conditions and restrictions as that granted to Mr. Flagg alley Theatre.

Read and accepted.

Land Com.rs annual report.

The Land Commissioners second annual report of the Land department, which includes the transactions of the year 1831.

Read and sent down.

Adjourned to Tuesday next, 4 o'Clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, held at City Hall, on tuesday, the twenty seventh day of December, A. D. 1831.

Present—

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Ordered, That the sum of nineteen hundred, eighty seven dollars and thirty cents, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of reimbursing to Samuel Mammond, the amount paid by him to the heirs of the late Royal Tyler, to extinguish their claim to a certain piece of land, sold to said Mammond, by the City of Boston, for expenses incurred in defending a suit brought against him, by the said heirs; and that the same sum be withdrawn from the appropriation for widening streets. Read and passed in Common Council. Mammond.

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of John Welsh, and others, praying, that Esex street be widened, Reported, that the operations of the year have not permitted that the prayer of the petition be granted, and that the same be referred to the next board of Aldermen. Welch Esex st.

Read and accepted.

The committee to whom was referred the communication of the Land Commissioner requesting, that names be given to the new streets laid out on the Neck lands, which have not already been named. Reported, that the subject be referred to the next board of Aldermen. Land Com^r. names of streets.

Read and accepted.

Joy
Belknap st.

The committee on the petition of J. G. Joy, in behalf of Mrs Joy, for expenses in repairing wall and fence on Belknap street, made necessary by cutting down of said street — Reported, that the owner of said estate ought to be paid one hundred and fifty dollars, in full of all demands on account of damages in the premises.

Read and accepted.

Burke's donation.

The Mayor communicated a letter from Doctor M. Burke, inclosing a bank bill of one hundred dollars, as his son's, Master Burke's subscription to the fund for the purchase of fuel, for the poor of Boston. Read and thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be requested to transmit the same to the Howard benevolent society to be dispensed according to the intention of the liberal donor.

Wentworths.
Bedford st.

The committee to whom was referred the claim of Philip Wentworths, for damages for having a part of his land taken to widen Bedford street — Reported that the further consideration of the subject be referred to the next board of Aldermen.

Read and accepted.

Unfinished business referred.

Ordered, that all matters & things not acted upon be referred to the next board of Aldermen.

Mayor thanks to

On motion of Alderman Russell, seconded by Alderman McCleary, the following resolutions passed by unanimous vote

Resolved, that the thanks of this

board be and hereby are presented to the Honorable Harrison Gray Otis, for the pre eminent ability and ability with which he has discharged the duties of Chief Magistrate of the City, for a series of years, and for the courtesy and punctuality with which he has presided over their deliberations, and for his cheerful co-operation in all the labors of this board.

Resolved, that on this last public association of the individuals of this board, with their presiding officer, they tender their homage to his exalted talents, and to the dignity with which he has discharged the duties of his office; with a wish that he may long enjoy perfect health, and the blessings of this world, with the consciousness of having acted well his part, for the public good.

To which the Mayor returned the following answer, which was ordered by a like vote to be entered upon the Journal. Mayor's answer.

Gentlemen of the board of Aldermen.

I receive this parting testimonial of your approbation of my official services with gratitude for the kindness by which it is dictated, and with a sensibility natural, on the final dissolution of a connexion which has existed between friends so long engaged in the same vocation, and whose harmony and general coincidence of sentiment have never been interrupted by serious dispension.

I embrace with real gratification this occasion of offering to you my most grateful acknowledgements for the unwearied ability, and devotedness of your time to the labours of your station, by which my own have been cheered

and made comparatively light. — It is by those only who occupy seats at this board, that the laborious duties of an Alderman of this City, can be fully appreciated. By none others can an adequate judgment be formed of the incessant and multifarious demands made upon his time and attention. And I am free to declare, that in the whole range of public offices, Federal, State and Municipal, I know none in which I think the honor and confidence manifested by the people in the elected depositaries of their power, are more fully requited than by the disinterested and arduous services of an Alderman, who does his duty. It is an additional satisfaction to be able to declare, that during the three years in which I have had the honour to fill this Chair, every individual with whom I have been associated at this board, has been ready to assume and perform with alacrity his full share of its duties and the occasional absence of a member at any meeting, has been of such rare occurrance as always to excite a concern for his health and to prompt enquiry into the casualty which may have caused it.

I go again, Gentlemen, with my own consent and with the expectation of remaining always a private citizen, into domestic retirement; my preference for which has uniformly induced me voluntarily to withdraw from every public station to which I have been elected.

But I should now for the first time retire with regret, if the consequence must be a cessation of the friendly and social intercourse, which I have been

led to maintain through the medium of my office, with so many worthy fellow citizens of various classes & professions. Solitude in society has been justly regarded as its most painful condition, and probably no man, however ambitious of posthumous fame (which I am not) can be pleased to find, that the generation which treads upon his heels, regards itself as holding towards him, while he lives, the relation of posterity. My acquaintance has become multiplied and diversified, and productive of great satisfaction to myself, but in no instance greater than those which has given me a right to regard you and your predecessors as my friends and associates, for the rest of my life.

Accept, I pray you, the assurances of my respect and affectionate regard, and the deep and sincere interest I shall ever cherish in all that relates to your individual happiness and welfare.

The meeting was then adjourned without day.

Attest,

Samuel Foster McCleary, City Clerk.

The foregoing is a true record of proceedings of the board of Aldermen for the year 1831.

Attest,

S. F. McCleary, City Clerk.

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